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SUMMARY.

The Colonial Conference adopted a resolution in favour of a fast steamer service from London to Australasia, via Canada.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier advocated a service which would bring Sydney within 21 days of London.

He intimated that Canada was prepared to subsidise the mail services up to £250,000.

Sir Joseph Ward said that New Zealand would pay a subsidy of £100,000 for a service bringing the colony within 20 days of England.

The House of Commons, by 276 to 109, rejected Mr. A. Chamberlain's amendment to broaden the basis of taxation in the interests of Imperial trade.

Mr. Asquith said that Great Britain had not reached anything like the possible limits of taxation on a freetrade basis.

No action will be taken by the Admiralty towards withdrawing vessels from the Australian station until Parliament approves the change.

There is every probability that the National Convention which is to meet in Dublin will reject the Administrative Council Bill.

The Roman Catholic Archbishops of Dublin and Armagh have repudiated the measure.

The mail syndicate has informed the Commonwealth that it is acting within its rights under the contract.

Five further arrests have been made in connection with the riots at Rawal Pindi, in the Punjab.

A bomb exploded in an Italian railway a few minutes before the passing of a train in which the King of Italy was travelling.

The recent plot against the Czar was revealed by a member of his bodyguard who had been approached by the conspirators.

The steamer Thornhill, bound from New York to Brazil, caught fire and foundered in midocean.

The crew, numbering 29, left the vessel in boats, and reached the Barbadoes eight days afterwards.

In a speech at Molong, Mr. Carruthers referred to the relations of the State and Commonwealth.

He said he believed before federation that they could trust the other States; but now they had discovered their error.

The Federal Parliament had given treatment to this State, he added, which would not be given to a dog on the chain.

The first of the locomotives built by the Clyde Company for the State Government had a very successful trial trip yesterday.

At the Water Police Court, James Sue was fined £78, or three months' imprisonment, for opium smuggling.

The High Court has reserved judgment in the appeal involving the liability of Commonwealth servants to pay State income tax.

The Supreme Court upheld the appeal of Mary Willis against the assessments in respect of W. N. Willis's income.

Evidence was given in the Arbitration Court on behalf of the master retailers against the claim of the shop assistants.

One employer stated that if the demands of the employees were granted he could not carry on his business.

Another writ has been served on the Ardencraig, at Adelaide, on behalf of the master and crew of the Jessie Darling.

This makes the fifth writ issued against the vessel.

Senators MacFarlane (Tasmania) and Gould inspected the Canberra capital site on Monday.

Mr. Ben Tillett, the English Labour leader, is on a visit to Adelaide.

He says that the Labour party in England hopes, by closer contact with the European organisations, to check war.

Nearly every vessel of the Federal-Houlder-Shire line which arrives in Australia is bringing immigrants.

The Essex, now at Port Adelaide, has 221 immigrants, of whom 150 are for this State.

Sir James Fairfax yesterday opened the Sydney Art Club's fifth annual exhibition, which comprises some 200 exhibits.

Excellent results are expected from an experimental shipment of 4500 cases of citrus fruits to England.

The Melbourne Trades Hall Council desires the Wages Boards re-established as they were before being modified by the Irvine Government.

Sir Alexander Peacock (Chief Secretary of Victoria) says he is in thorough sympathy with the proposal.

Major Long is visiting Australia, on behalf of the Imperial Government, in regard to obtaining tinned meat supplies for the army.

He reports that the tinned meat industry in New Zealand is too small to allow of extensive business being done.

A movement has been started at Lithgow to secure State assistance for the establishment of workmen's homes.

A flourishing financial condition was reported at the annual session of the Protestant Alliance.

Interest received from mortgages nearly covered the amount paid in funeral donations.

A Federal meteorological conference will begin in Melbourne on Monday.

The Minister for Home Affairs takes a grave view of the burning of ballot papers after the last Senate election in South Australia.

The Public Works Committee has adopted its report in favour of a tramway from Wallsend to West Wallsend.

Dr. Stokes declares he has never stated that the vegetable matter in the Cataract dam possessed disease-producing qualities.

At the annual meeting of the engineering section of the Royal Society, the president (Mr. Cardew) advocated the unifying of railway gauges in the States.

He suggested the laying of a third rail, so that trains might run from Adelaide to the Queensland border continuously.

The two men who were arrested after the Circular Quay fatality have been charged with having been drunk whilst in charge of a tram.

Patrick Ambrose, who was injured whilst playing football on May 4, died yesterday.

The grasshopper pest in some of the western districts is reported to be worse than rabbits.

The hurricane which recently swept Futuna (Fiji) completely wrecked the island.

The Roman Catholic Church, which had been 40 years building, was levelled to the ground.

All the European and native houses were practically destroyed.

A Royal Commission has reported on the condition of wage-earners in Tasmania.

It declares that there are many trades which employ hands too long for too low pay.

The Presbyterian General Assembly yesterday further dealt with the complaints of the students at the Theological Hall.

Dr. Dill Macky resigned the position of lecturer at the Theological Hall.

Mr. Justice Higgins lectured last night at Chatswood on "The Struggle for Existence."

He said that poverty was due to adverse economic conditions, and Legislative interference was justifiable.

A conference is taking place at Newcastle regarding the scarcity of labour and the exclusiveness of the local Coal-trimmers' Union.

An agreement has been made by which the strikers will resume work at the Abermain colliery, which has been idle for some months.

An effort is being made to get the electoral rolls in order, in preparation for the forthcoming State elections.

As soon as the Premier returns to Sydney he will be asked to furnish funds to raise the anchors of the Dunbar.

James Hebir has been sentenced to imprisonment for life for attempting to murder a woman at Christchurch (N.Z.) through jealousy.

Business was not very active in the Stock and Share market yesterday, but quotations were well maintained.

The Mining market was firmer for silver and copper shares, but tin and gold were neglected.

Wheat has risen by from 7d to 8d per bushel in a month. Holders are now asking 3s 10½d.

The weather forecast is: Showers in the north; elsewhere temporarily fine, but tending towards rain in the west.

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MACKAY, BOWEN, TOWNSVILLE, LUCINDA, GERALDTON, MOURILYAN, CAIRNS, PORT DOUGLAS, COOKTOWN — ARAWATTA, TUESDAY, 7 p.m., May 21. ARAMAC, TUESDAY, 7 p.m., May 28. WYANDRA, TUESDAY, 7 p.m., June 4.
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PORT MACQUARIE.—Pyrmont, This Day, 5 p.m.
NAMBUCCA RIVER.—Rocklily, Monday, 5 p.m.
MANNING RIVER.—Rosedale, This Day, 4 p.m.
BELLINGER RIVER.—Burrawong, Saturday, 11 p.m.
FROM DRUITT-STREET.
BYRON BAY.—Cavanba, Saturday, 9 a.m.
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LOST, 2-bar Opal Brooch, Thursday night, about 9 p.m., bet. Rail. Stn., Clev'ld-st; rwd. 11 C'rghst, Rtn.

LOST, small Parcel, Orange Lily Treatment, bet. Oxford-st and Wav. Cem. 71 Young-st, Redf. Rew.

LOST, Tues., Gold Charm (fish), bet. Booth, Collins, Johnston sts, Annandale; rew. 188 Annandale-st.

LOST in 1 o'clock train to Bankstn, Silk Umbrella; reward. Mrs. Pearce, Railway-par., Kogarah.

LOST, in An'dale or Stanm., dia. and sapph. brooch, reward. Rothsay, Percival-rd, Stanmore.

LOST, in Sap. Ch., Lewisham, Fine Gold Neck Chain; reward. 60 Denison-st, Lewisham.

LOST, bet. Enmore and Marrickville, Gold Cable Bangle, keeps; reward, 28 Edgeware-rd, Enmore.

LOST, my Morning Headache, now that I stick to DICKENS WHISKY.

LOST from Guildford, Dark Chestnut Mare, branded like a spur near shoulder, both hind knees marked, one hind foot white, star on forehead. £1 reward. W. H. SANDIFORD, Woodville-rd, Guildford.

LOST, Tuesday night, betw. Railway and Centennial Park, PURSE, containing keepsake from mother, dead; good reward. Mrs. V. RYAN, Rose of Australia Hotel, Erskineville.

LOST, between the Strand and George-street, 3-stone Diamond RING. Finder rewarded, Mrs. MARKS, Momcaldale, Marrickville-road, Dulwich Hill.

MAN that picked up Purse, corner King and Elizabeth streets, Monday morning, about 11 o'clock, contg. gold and silver, will receive liberal reward returning 153 Oxford-st, Waverley.

REWARD.—Left in Alexandria tram, Monday morn., 11, Hamper with Gramaphone. 76 Morehead-st, Rfn.

REWARD.—Lost, at Sydney Skating Rink, Gold Brooch, design Kruger half-sov. 524 George-st, c.

REWARD.—Strayed, Chestnut Pony, knees marked, heavy main, tail. W. Francis, P'matta-rd, Lbdt.

STRAYED, DOG, Fox Terrier, 4 months, black spot centre of back, with black on left side face; reward. L'Aiglon, Gordon-street, Mosman.

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STATE ELECTIONS.

T. HENLEY, M.L.A., will address A PUBLIC MEETING IN THE SCHOOL OF ARTS, BURWOOD, TO-NIGHT, THURSDAY, the 16th, AT 8 O'CLOCK. Subject: Political Problems. Ladies Specially Invited. The Mayor, James Gregg, Esq., will Preside.

BOTANY ELECTORATE.—A PUBLIC MEETING of the Liberal and Reform League will be held in the St. Peters Town Hall on THURSDAY, 16th inst., at 8 o'clock. All in sympathy with the above are invited to attend. W. H. ATWILL, Secretary.

SHERBROOKE ELECTORATE. Mr. H. E. PRATTEN will Address the Electors in the Town Hall, Smithfield, TO-NIGHT, at 8 o'clock.

LEICHHARDT.—Grand Labour Demonstration, Town H., Fri. Eve., 17th, 8. Ladies specially invited.

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Subject: "THE LIFE HISTORY OF OUR FOOD FISHES," by Mr. H. C. Dannevig, Superintendent Fisheries Investigation, Fisheries Department.
The Lecture will be copiously illustrated by means of Lantern Slides.
The Public is cordially invited.
Tickets of Admission may be obtained on application to Mr. W. H. WEBB, at the Royal Society's House.
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PRINCIPAL ALTERATIONS.

SOUTHERN LINE.

The Cheap Week-end Excursion tickets at 2d per mile first-class return and 1d per mile second-class return, issued to stations Kareela to Goulburn, inclusive, by the 8.0 a.m. Saturday train, Sydney to Goulburn, will be withdrawn.

The 8.40 a.m. local train, Picton to Sydney, will be altered to leave Picton at 9.45 a.m., Campbelltown at 10.45 a.m. (instead of 9.57 a.m.), arriving Sydney 12.20 p.m. (instead of 11.32 a.m.).

The 6.50 a.m. train, Moss Vale to Sydney (5.0 a.m. from Goulburn on Mondays), will be altered to leave Moss Vale at 6.15 a.m. (Goulburn at 4.25 a.m. Mondays), and cease to call at Liverpool and Granville, reaching Sydney at 8.59 a.m. instead of 9.40 a.m.

The 2.45 p.m. Mail train, Albury to Sydney, will be altered to start at 2.40 p.m. and run 5 minutes earlier to Cootamundra, from which station present times will remain unaltered.

The 1.30 p.m. train, Saturdays excepted, Sydney to Campbelltown and Penrith, will be altered to start at 1.25 p.m., and accelerated to arrive Campbelltown at 2.52 p.m., instead of 3.5 p.m.

WESTERN LINE.

The undermentioned trains will be discontinued during the winter months:—

4.8 p.m. Sydney to Mount Victoria on Fridays.
8.55 p.m. Sydney to Mount Victoria on Fridays.
8.10 a.m. Sydney to Katoomba on Saturdays.
2.25 p.m. Sydney to Mount Victoria on Saturdays.
6.40 a.m. Mount Victoria to Sydney on Mondays.
1.47 p.m. Katoomba to Sydney on Saturdays and Mondays.

The 8.25 a.m. Saturday train, Sydney to Bathurst, will be discontinued west of Eskbank.

The cheap week-end excursion tickets at 2d per mile first-class return, and 1d per mile second-class return, issued to stations Lithgow to Bathurst, inclusive, by the 8.25 a.m. Saturday train, Sydney to Bathurst, will be withdrawn.

The 1.25 p.m. Saturday train, Sydney to Mount Victoria, will cease to call at Blacktown, and be accelerated to reach Mount Victoria at 4.50 p.m. (instead of 5.2 p.m.).

The 7.45 a.m. train, Orange to Sydney, will call at all stations Katoomba to Penrith, inclusive, on Saturdays and Mondays, similar to other days.

The 6.20 p.m. local train, Mount Victoria to Penrith (connecting with the 8.35 p.m. train thence to Sydney), on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, will be withdrawn.

The 1.30 p.m. train, Saturdays excepted, Sydney to Penrith, will be altered to start at 1.25 p.m. and cease calling at Homebush, Flemington, Rookwood, Auburn, Clyde, and Harris Park, reaching Penrith at 3.55 p.m.

A new train will leave Sydney for Penrith at 12.27 p.m. on Saturdays only, reaching Penrith at 2.5 p.m.

A new train will leave Penrith at 10.55 a.m. on Saturdays for Granville, there connecting with the 12 noon train for Sydney.

The 9 p.m. through Western mail, Sydney to Bourke, will be altered intermediately and accelerated to arrive Bourke at 5.30 p.m. instead of 6 p.m.

The 8.45 a.m up mail, Bourke to Sydney, will be altered to start at 9.10 a.m. and accelerated to reach Nyngan as at present,—viz., 2.15 p.m.

MAIN NORTHERN LINE.

The 5.0 p.m. mail train, Moree to Sydney, will be altered to leave Moree at 3.15 p.m. and be accelerated to arrive Sydney at 6.45 a.m. instead of 10.30 a.m. This train will run via the Hamilton Junction, and not proceed to Newcastle, passengers to and from that station being conveyed between Waratah and Newcastle by connecting local train. Between Waratah and Sydney it will only stop at Gosford, Hornsby, and Strathfield.

For full particulars see Timetable.

A new train will leave West Maitland for Sydney at 6.45 a.m. daily (Sundays excepted), arriving at Sydney at 10.30 a.m.

The 5.10 p.m. through mail train, Sydney to Wallangarra, will be altered intermediately, and will cease to call at stations and platforms between Tamworth and Glen Innes other than Walcha Road, Uralla, Armidale, and Guyra, except to set down passengers from stations south of Werris Creek where timed to call, or to pick up passengers for stations north of Glen Innes.

The 6.10 p.m. mail, Wallangarra to Sydney, will be altered intermediately, and cease to call at stations and platforms between Glen Innes and Tamworth, other than Guyra, Armidale, Uralla, and Walcha Road, except to set down passengers from stations north of Glen Innes.

The 7.20 p.m. Mail Train, Sydney to Moree, will cease to call at Greta, but will stop regularly at Branxton.

A new train will leave Werris Creek for Glen Innes at 6.15 a.m. daily, Sundays excepted, calling at all stations, and reaching Glen Innes at 12.30 p.m.

A new train will leave Glen Innes at 4.0 p.m. daily, Sundays excepted, calling at all stations, and reaching Werris Creek at 10.5 p.m., there connecting with the altered North-western mail, leaving for Sydney at 10.21 p.m.

The 8.55 a.m. Sunday train, Sydney to Gosford, and the 7.20 p.m. Sunday train, Gosford to Sydney, will be discontinued.

The 9.30 a.m. Sunday train, Sydney to Newcastle, will be altered to leave Sydney at 9.0 a.m., and call at all stations and platforms Strathfield to Point Clare, inclusive, and at Teralba, in addition to present stops, reaching Newcastle at 1.14 p.m.

The 2.10 p.m. Sunday train, Singleton to Sydney, will call at all stations Point Clare to Mount Colah, inclusive, in addition to present stops, arriving at Sydney at 8.35 p.m.

The 8.15 a.m. Saturday train, Sydney to Newcastle, will be discontinued. The Cheap Week-end Tickets will instead be issued by the 9.5 a.m. train from Sydney on Saturdays.

The Cheap Excursion Tickets at present issued to Sydney from West Maitland, Newcastle, etc, by the Up North-west Mail on Sunday mornings will be discontinued.

On the ILLAWARRA LINE a number of alterations in the Sunday Service of trains for the Winter months will be brought into force.

Several other minor alterations will be made on various portions of the lines, for particulars of which see Timetables.

By order.

(14-888) H. McLACHLAN, Secretary.

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F. N. YARWOOD, Secretary.

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SATURDAY, MAY 25	LOHENGRIN.
MONDAY, MAY 27	LOHENGRIN.
TUESDAY, MAY 28	CARMEN.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 29 (MATINEE)	HANSEL AND GRETEL.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 29	LOHENGRIN.
THURSDAY, MAY 30	CARMEN.
FRIDAY, MAY 31	LOHENGRIN.

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3. TROMBONE SOLO—"Lend Me Your Aid" .. Gounod (By request) MR. W. LAWSON.
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5. VALSE—Royal .... De Revo
6. SELECTION—"Patience" .... Sullivan
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THE ELLESMERE HANDICAP. A Handicap Sweepstakes of 3 sovs. each, 1 forfeit, with 150 sovs. added; second horse 25 sovs., and third 10 sovs. from the prize. One Mile and a Quarter.

SECOND DAY. MONDAY, JUNE 3rd.

THE SECOND HURDLE RACE. A Handicap Sweepstakes of 4 sovs. each, 1 forfeit, with 200 sovs. added; second horse 40 sovs., and third 20 sovs. from the prize. About Two Miles and a Half.

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Weights on such days as the committee may appoint.

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30,000 Shares (Contributing), payable 2s 6d on application and 2s 6d on allotment, and the balance by calls, as required.

DIRECTORS:

THOS. W. HORTON, 117 Pitt-street, Sydney.
A. W. FREEMAN, 117 Pitt-street, Sydney.
GEORGE W. WADDELL, LL.D., Barrister-at-law, Wentworth-court, Phillip-street, Sydney.
W. A. FREEMAN, 117 Pitt-street, Sydney.

BANKERS:
COMMERCIAL BANKING CO. OF SYDNEY, Ltd., Head Office, Sydney, and Tumut.

SOLICITOR:
W. A. FREEMAN, 117 Pitt-street, Sydney.

BROKERS:
J. E. DUCKER, 135 Pitt-street, Sydney.
F. A. RUSSELL, Alma-chambers, Adelaide.

LEGAL MANAGER:
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1. The vein is a true fissure, and there is no reason to doubt that it will persist to great depths. It has been exploited only to a depth of 120 feet, and has been proved payable over a length of 540 feet out of a total of 790 feet driven. Good ore continues in one face and underfoot.

2. The vein is exceedingly narrow, measurements of ore removed indicating an average stoping width of 5½ inches of first-grade ore, containing 28 per cent. copper, and about a similar width of second-grade ore, containing 6 per cent. copper. The ore is all unaltered chalcopyrite, and its character should not alter at depth.

3. Considering first-grade ore only, the Mine has produced 1830 tons, containing 512.4 tons copper; and the ore reserves amount to 595 tons, containing 166.6 tons copper. Taking copper at £80 per ton, the gross value of the ore produced is £40,992, and of the ore reserves £13,328. Of this latter, £6800 should be profit.

4. Each 100 feet in depth of the Mine, allowing only for the length at present proved, should produce 2500 tons of 28 per cent. ore, containing 700 tons of copper. Taking copper at £80 per ton, the gross value of this ore would be £56,000, and the probable profit £25,000. It should not take longer than a year to work out a lift of 100 feet, so this sum should be divided annually.

5. There is at present a flow in the Mine of from 4000 to 5000 gallons of water per hour, and a greater flow is to be expected as depth is attained. In one part of the lower workings of the Mine a flow of semi-combustible gas has been met with. These facts should be noted, but it is not anticipated that the working of the Mine will be materially affected.

6. The very small output in the past has been due to the peculiar inaccessibility of the Mine, but a road into the Mine will be completed in a few months, and this obstacle removed.

7. Owing to the large available supply of water for power purposes, the equipment of the Mine will not be costly. The tonnage handled, however, will be so small that working costs are expected to approach but not exceed £8 per ton of ore. It is expected that blister copper can be delivered f.o.b. Sydney at a cost of £20 per ton.

It is proposed to immediately equip the Mine with a more complete hauling and pumping plant, using water-power as a prime mover, and to sink the main shaft a further 100 to 150 feet, at which depth levels will be driven. Should this exploration develop the expected reserves of ore, a treatment plant will be erected.

Taking into consideration the present known ore reserves, a return by way of dividend should result soon after ore treatment begins. It is not anticipated that the total cost of all construction and development work prior to the commencement of treatment will exceed £8000, so that it should not be necessary to call up more than 10s per share on the 30,000 Contributing Shares. With this in view, the Company's Rules will provide that Contributing Shares will rank equally with Paid-up Shares in the participation of dividends.

The Company is paying brokerage on not more than 17,000 of the Shares, the balance being placed by the promoters free of charge to the Company.

Copies of the full Prospectus, with full Report of Messrs. Horton and Freeman, and Plans, may be obtained from the Brokers to the Company, or from the Legal Manager.

Sydney, 16th May, 1907.

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Commonwealth of Australia, Department of Home Affairs, Melbourne, 15th May, 1907.

TENDERS will be received, subject to the Conditions of Tendering for ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS TO OFFICERS' QUARTERS AT VICTORIA BARRACKS, PADDINGTON, NEW SOUTH WALES, until twelve o'clock on MONDAY, 27th MAY, 1907.

Drawings and Specifications may be seen at Office of the Works Director, Commonwealth Offices, Sydney. Tenders to be endorsed as above, and addressed (if by post, prepaid) to the Works Director, Sydney.

The lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

Tenders are to be in all cases on the printed form, which can be obtained at the Works Director's Office.

DAVID MILLER, Secretary for Home Affairs.

Postmaster-General's Department, 15th May, 1907.

ATTENTION is directed to Notices in the Commonwealth Gazette of the 11th instant inviting TENDERS for the following services for the Postmaster-General's Department in the State of New South Wales.

Services required.	Date tenders returnable at G.P.O., Sydney.
Additional section, branching system, Multiple Telephone Switchboard	20th May, 1907.
Manufacture and delivery of 1000 Waterproof Capes	26th June, 1907.
Construction of Telephone Conduits, North Sydney	3rd July, 1907.

AUSTIN CHAPMAN, Postmaster-General.

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Mr. and Mrs. MITCHELL, 145, 147, 121 Bathurst-street, respectfully inform ladies and gentlemen that they still continue to give extreme value for every description of Ladies', Gentlemen's, and Children's Left-off Clothing, Uniforms, Furniture, Bed Linen, Platedware, Old Gold, and Artificial Teeth, Bags, Trunks. Ladies changing for mourning please note.—We also supply other colonies. Letters and parcels immediately attended to. We send no representative.

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PHONOGRAPH.—Wanted to Purchase one, must be cheap. Price, part., Stevens, 321 P'matta-rd, Leich.

Our continuation see Index to Advertisements.

AUCTION SALES.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 2 P.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction as above,
On account Mr. A. E. VICARY, Cobbitty.
10 Upstanding Light Harness and Saddle Horses, and a couple of Ponies, all in good condition, broken in.

On account of Mr. GRAHAM-SMITH, Cornucopia, Narromine.
10 First-class Heavy and Medium Draught Geldings, 4 to 6 years old, all in splendid condition, broken in.

On account Mr. H. C. MONK, Narromine.
10 High-class Horses, comprising a Pair of Upstanding Bay Carriage Colts, 5 yrs. old, a good match, unbroken; 1 bay Trotting Colt, 3 yrs., by Harold, Jun.; 2 Heavy Draught Colts, 3 yrs. old; the balance useful Harness Horses.

On account Mr. CHAS. MARSHALL, Hunter River.
10 Heavy and Medium Draughts and strong Upstanding Business Cart Horses, all in good condition, 4 to 6 yrs. old, broken and unbroken.

On account Mr. JAS. B. JOHNSTON, Spring Hill, Windsor.
Bay Heavy Draught Gelding, 6 yrs. old, staunch worker; bay van or lorry Horse, staunch; bay Gelding, 16 hands, broken to s. and h., would suit a cab.

INGLIS'S BAZAAR, THIS DAY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 sharp,
Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness; Draught Horses, Tipcarts, Horses, and Harness; and at 11 a.m., Horses and Vehicles of every description, specially advertised. Tel., 1331.

SUPERIOR DOGCART TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. D. Reece to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11 a.m.,
Bay Gelding, 8 yrs., by Salvator, a splendid harness horse, trial given; stained Cedar Dogcart and harness, making a first-class lot.

VAN TURNOUT AND SULKY AND HARNESS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. N. DYER to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.,
Bay Gelding, broken to saddle and harness, trial given, light Spring Van and Harness, also Sulky and Harness, in good repair.

STYLISH BENT-SHAFT SULKY TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.,
Creamy Gelding, reliable in saddle and harness, bent-shaft Sulky, and Harness, making a splendid turnout.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. A. DARVALL, Ryde, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Cream Gelding, reliable in saddle and harness.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. E. Curtis to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Blue Roan Mare, 5 yrs., suit sociable.

PRIZE HUNTER AND DRAUGHT HORSE, FROM WOLLONGONG.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. Phillips, Mount Keira, Wollongong, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
SOLICITOR, Bay Gelding (no white,) about 16 hands, and young, winner of Maiden Hunters at R.A.S. Show last year, also winner of several prizes as 14-stone hack and heavy buggy horse at different shows; also Red Roan Active Draught Gelding, 6 yrs., about 16 hands, good sort, very active and subject to any trial.

WELL-BRED HARNESS HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. Hilder, Longueville, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
High-class Bay Gelding, 5yrs, 15.2, by Souvenir, thoroughly broken to harness, fast and stylish, would suit a doctor or private gentleman.

2 USEFUL HARNESS HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Grey Gelding and Bay Mare, both broken to harness and staunch, suitable for tradesmen's carts.

RELIABLE HARNESS MARE, FROM EAST KANGALOON.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. J. Burnham, East Kangaloon, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Bay Mare (black points), broken to single and double harness, splendid puller, stand trams or motors, and would suit an old couple, being thoroughly quiet and tractable.

4 DRAUGHT HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Grey heavy draught Gelding, bay active draught Ditto, and 2 active draught Mares, all thoroughly staunch and stand any trial.

SADDLE AND HARNESS HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. Pike to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Bay Gelding, black points, about 16 hands, young and handsome, good mover, quiet in saddle and harness, used to trams, suit a dogcart or carriage.

TROTTING PONY, FROM NARELLAN.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. R. Baillie, Narellan, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Chestnut Pony, 4yrs, about 14.1, by King Harold, from Nellie, quiet in saddle and harness, can trot 3 minutes, a prize-winner at shows.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Chestnut Gelding, 16 hands, by Fitzjames from a Grandmaster mare; Chestnut Gelding, by Fitzjames, dam by Gemma di Vergy; Brown Filly, 15.1, by Seigneur, dam by Yatterdon, all handled to lead.

COW AND CALF, PENNANT HILLS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. D. Fisher, Pennant Hills, to sell by auction, at their George-street Saleyards, THIS DAY, at the usual hour,
Red Cow with Calf at foot.

MILCH COWS. MILCH COWS.

INGLIS'S RAILWAY STOCK SALEYARDS,
827 GEORGE-STREET, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11 a.m.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell as above on account Messrs. D. Butler, M'Intosh Bros., and other Owners,
60 First-class Milch Cows, in full milk, with young calves at foot, from the best dairies in the Southern and Hunter Districts.

PRIME FAT COWS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell, at their George-street Saleyards, THIS DAY, at the usual hour,
On account Mr. DANL. RUFFIER,
1 Truck of Prime Fat Cows, from his St. Marys paddocks.

TATTERSALL'S MAY RACE MEETING.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from the Secretary of Tattersall's Club to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, on MONDAY NEXT, May 20th, at 12 o'clock,
The Right to Collect at the Entrance Gates during the above meeting, to be held at Randwick on Saturday, May 25th.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

MAY 20th, 21st, and 22nd.

SALE OF
270 SUPERIOR STATION-BRED HORSES. 270.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. Eli Carter, Aberfoyle Station, Queensland, to SELL by AUCTION, at the above Yards, on
MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 21, and 22, commencing at 2 o'clock sharp Each Day,
270 Superior Horses, 4 to 6 years old, broken and unbroken, with breeding and substance, suitable for light harness and hackney work, and for shipment,
including
SOME FIRST-CLASS PAIRS, and a Number of CHOICE POLO PONIES.

The above are a specially selected lot, and a big proportion of them are suitable for shipment, and buyers can rely they have not been offered for Sale either publicly or privately.
One hundred head will be offered on MONDAY, and 100 head on TUESDAY; the balance on WEDNESDAY.

ST. MARYS CATTLE SALE.

SATURDAY NEXT, MAY 18,

AT 11.30 A.M. SHARP.

550 HEAD. 550 HEAD.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction as above. The following are the particulars of the various lots advised up to the present:—
125 first-class Steers, 9 to 12 months old.
100 very Choice Dairy Heifers, 3-year-olds, a large proportion showing forward in calf.
34 young Cattle, comprising 21 Steers and 13 Heifers.
24 Head, comprising 2 Jersey Heifers, 2½ years old, 2 Fat Cows, and 20 Dairy Heifers, 16 to 20 months old, all local-bred.
35 Newly-calved Cows and Springing Cows and Heifers.
150 Head, comprising 90 First-class Steers, 40 really good Dairy Heifers, and 20 Springers 1 month to 6 weeks off calving.
20 Head, comprising 73 well-grown Steers, 1½ to 2 years old, 5 good Dairy Heifers, close to calving, the same ages, 2 newly-calved Cows.
30 Mixed Store Cows, Heifers, and Steers.
40 Head, comprising 20 very superior Dairy Heifers, 1½ to 2 years old, 10 good Steers, and 10 Store Cows, in good condition.

TRAIN leaves Sydney at 10.15 a.m., returning at 2.42 and 5.47 p.m.

LIVERPOOL HORSE SALE.

LIVERPOOL.

I intend holding my next HORSE SALE at the above yard on SATURDAY, MAY 25.
Owners who intend favouring me with the Sale of their Horses on that date, kindly send particulars at once.

J. H. BEALE,
AUCTIONEER,
Moss Vale and Liverpool.

STATION PRODUCE SALES.
The SYDNEY PRODUCE SELLING BROKERS will offer Catalogues TO-DAY, in the SALEROOM, MACQUARIE-PLACE, as under:—
HAIR, HORNS, and SUNDRIES, at 10 a.m.
TALLOW, at 2.30 p.m.

CHOICE DAIRY CATTLE.

BLACKTOWN SALEYARDS.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, MAY 17th AT ELEVEN.

600 HEAD. 600 HEAD. 600 HEAD.

THOMPSON AND HARDMAN have received instructions to sell by auction, as above, already advised on account of various owners, comprising
8 Pedigree Springing Heifers, best milking strain in N.S.W., 3 years old
42 Choice Durham Heifers, 18 months to 2 years
200 Choice 3-year-old Heifers, reds and roans
12 Choice Ayrshire Heifers, 15 to 18 months
100 Heifers, real dairy sorts, 6 to 18 months old
20 Jersey Heifers, 9 to 18 months
30 Forward Springing Heifers, good sorts
20 Choice Newly-calved Cows
40 Forward Springing Cows, from best dairies
25 Backward Springers, choice quality
100 Head Dairy Heifers, good colours and various ages
20 Bullocks, including some very prime
20 Store Cows, in good condition
58 Poddy Steers.

DON'T MISS THIS SALE
IF YOU WANT QUALITY AND CONDITION.

Heifers sold of the same stock as we shall offer have given 14 quarts on their first calf, and after three months' milking realised as much as £10 15s at our last sale. Fancy prices are not expected for them. The whole of the lines advised are really of most excellent quality. Springers and milch cows (newly calved) are worthy of the special attention of dairymen and dairy farmers.

14 Springers, from the well-known herd of J. P. Rudd, Esq., Campbelltown, in calf to first-class Dairy Bull, Guernsey, and Shorthorn grade. Dam won milking contests Camden, Campbelltown, Liverpool Shows, and never beaten in Show-ring.

COVERED RING. COMFORTABLE SEATS.

Buyers allowed free agistment in our own paddocks day following sale. Competent drovers in attendance.
TRAINS.—To Blacktown, 9.0 a.m., 10.15 a.m.; returning 3.26 p.m., 4.0 p.m., 4.57 p.m., 5.55 p.m.
Auctioneers' Offices: 60 Castlereagh-street, Sydney. Telephone, 3338.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

BLACKTOWN SALEYARDS.

SATURDAY, MAY 18th, 11 o'clock.

THOMPSON AND HARDMAN have received instructions to sell by auction, as above, already advised on account of various owners,

SIXTY HORSES, SIXTY.

comprising

DRAUGHTS, HACKS, HARNESS HORSES, AND COBS.

ENTRIES INCLUDE—
2 Draught Mares, 3 years, unbroken
1 Draught Gelding, 4 years, unbroken, by Balmedic (imported), a magnificent type of animal, suitable for miller or brewer
1 Draught Mare, aged, stinted to St. Patrick
10 Draught Colts
1 Chestnut Gelding, broken to saddle and harness, good jumper, and perfect hack, sire Miles Na Coppaleen, dam by King Clarendon
1 Light Draught Mare, black, 6 years, really good sort, suitable for tradesman's cart or delivery van.
2 Mares, with foals at foot by Royal Robin,
2 Mares in foal.
1 two-year-old Filly, 14.2, by Yorkie.
1 two-year-old Colt, 12.2, by St. Elmo.

The remainder include good-looking, fresh, young-conditioned Horses, mostly 3 to 6 years old, 14.2 to 16 hands, of good quality, most of them from the Windsor, Richmond, and Penrith districts, useful sorts, and worthy of special attention of business men, livery stable proprietors, and others.
Auctioneers' Office: 60 Castlereagh-street, Sydney. Telephone, 3338.

W. WHITEMAN will Sell at Parramatta, on FRIDAY, May 17th, at 2 p.m.,
10 COWS, in Full Milk,
Calves at foot.

THIS DAY, MAY 16th,

11 O'CLOCK.

LAING HOUSE,

51 CAMBRIDGE-STREET, STANMORE,

200 YARDS FROM STANMORE STATION,

5 MINUTES FROM ENMORE TERMINUS.

ORLANDO I. KEMPTHORNE sells the

FURNITURE AND EFFECTS,

AS ADVERTISED SATURDAY AND WEDNESDAY IN "HERALD."

COOGEE.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 16,
at 11 a.m.,
UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION,
at the Residence of
S. H. YOUNG, Esq.,
ORMONDVILLE, BEACH-STREET, COOGEE,
of the whole of his
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and APPOINTMENTS,
HIGH-CLASS WALNUT PIANO, BY VICTOR.

Full particulars appeared in yesterday's issue.

WALTER BRADLEY AND CO. have been favoured with instructions from S. H. YOUNG, Esq., to conduct the above Sale (on account of his relinquishing housekeeping),
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, MAY 16,
AT 11 A.M.

TERMS CASH.

ON VIEW THIS MORNING PRIOR TO SALE.

TO DEALERS, HOTELKEEPERS, PRIVATE BUYERS, AND OTHERS.

HAYMARKET.

THIS (THURSDAY) MORNING,

AT 10.30 SHARP.

IMPERATIVE AND UNRESERVED SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

On the Premises,
639 GEORGE-STREET, OPP. MICK SIMMONS.

THE FURNITURE, PLANT, AND EFFECTS OF A CITY RESTAURANT,

including
LARGE DINING HALL, 12 LARGE BEDROOMS, BASEMENT, PANTRY, and KITCHEN,

including
60 AUSTRIAN CHAIRS, 18 DINING TABLES, Crockery and Glassware, Linoleums, Pictures, Folding Screens.
Large Ice Chest, cost £30.
Window Curtains and Drapes.
Cutlery, Table Plate, Cruets, etc.
Bamboo and Mahogany Hall Stands.
Large and Medium Wall Mirrors, and the contents of 12 well-furnished Bedrooms, containing—
Single, Three-quarter, Double Half-tester Bedsteads complete with Wires, Bedding, Blankets, Sheets, and Quilts.
COMBINATION CHESTS, TOILET PAIRS, M. TOP and CEDAR WASHSTANDS, SETS WARE, TOILET TABLES, T. GLASSES.
Also,
THE FURNITURE, KITCHEN UTENSILS, and Effects of Pantries, Kitchen, Basement, and Yard.

MIDDLETON AND CO., under Imperative Instructions, will sell right out, as above, ABSOLUTELY UNRESERVED.
Terms cash. Immediate delivery.
Buyers not known must pay deposits on the fall of the Hammer.

ON VIEW AT 9 SHARP.
Will be offered in one line first; if not sold, in lots.

GREAT FURNITURE AUCTION,
THIS DAY, AT 2 O'CLOCK,
AT 170 GEORGE-STREET WEST.

MIDDLETON and CO are instructed to sell by auction, some very Fine Horsehair and Cedar Couches and Chairs, Overmantels, Pier Glasses, Cedar and Plate glass Sideboards, Cedar Chests of Drawers, Walnut Piano, Dining Tables, Crockery, Washstands, Dressers, Single and Double Bedsteads, Bedding, Wardrobe, Combination Chests, Pictures, Ornaments, etc. Also a Genuine B.S.A. Bicycle, Freewheel.
NO RESERVE.

TO PARTIES FURNISHING, DEALERS, AND OTHERS.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, AT 11 A.M.,
on the Premises,
342 PARK-ROAD, MOORE PARK.
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS.
BEDROOM SUITE, HANDSOME SIDEBOARD
OAK CHAIRS, FANCY OVERMANTELS, CARPETS
MARBLE CLOCK, EUGENIE COUCH, OILCLOTH
STAIR CARPET and RODS, LOO and DINING Tables
HANDSOME B. and B. ½-TESTER BEDSTEADS and BEDDING
Dresser, Din. Set, Glassware, Pictures
Chairs, Kitchen and Laundry Utensils,
Also,
LARGE SHED with Galv. Iron Roof.

HYAM HAINS will sell by AUCTION as above, under IMPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS.
NO RESERVE. TERMS CASH.
Auctioneer's Offices, 243 PITT-ST. 'PHONE, 2847.

CONTINUATION AUCTION SALE at
EMFIELD, 169 WELLS-STREET, REDFERN,
THIS AFTERNOON, AT 2.30,
CONSISTING OF THE FURNISHINGS OF 7 ELABORATELY-FITTED BEDROOMS.
Wilton Pile Stair Carpets, Rods, Superb Solid Walnut 6ft Bedroom Suite, Handsome Double Bedstead, Rolled Edge Wire Mattress, Kapok Bedding, Drape, Occasional Drawing-room Suite, in Genoa Velvet, 3 exceptionally good Solid Cedar Chests of Drawers, Walnut Overmantel, Writing Cabinets, Bookcases, Bedroom Suite, Huon Pine, 4 Combination Chests, Marble-top Washstands, Ware, Single and Double Bedsteads, several large Steel Engravings, Box Ottoman, Carpet Runners, Linos., Curtains, 2 Models of Ship, etc.

H. D. ELLIOTT and CO. will sell, ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

THE HOUSE IS TO LET.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, 2 P.M.
By Order H. C. POWNE, Esq., at
"RIMOL," ILLAWARRA-ROAD, MARRICKVILLE,
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and Appointments, for Unreserved Sale by Auction.
Raleigh Gas Stove, Matron Fuel Stove, etc.

STRONGMAN, WATSON, and HAWKINS beg to draw attention of Trade and Private Buyers.
Auctioneers' Telephone, 200 Burwood.

GROCER, before cutting my Bacon, show me that it is branded "Pineapple," for I want the best.

ANNANDALE.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION

THIS DAY, THURSDAY.

16th MAY, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Under instructions from
Mrs. JOHN YOUNG.

THE FURNITURE AND EFFECTS contained in the residence,

KENTVILLE,

JOHNSTON-STREET, ANNANDALE,
The Residence of

THE LATE JOHN YOUNG, ESQ.

FULL-SIZED BILLIARD TABLE,

AND ALL ACCESSORIES, in first-class order,

VALUABLE BRINSMEAD PIANOFORTE.

EXHIBITION VASES,

TWO COLOSSAL AWATA VASES, IN BLUE AND WHITE PORCELAIN.

ENCYCLOPAEDIA BRITANNICA,
COMPLETE EDITION, 36 VOLUMES.

And the Whole of
THE GENERAL FURNITURE AND REQUISITES,

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

ON VIEW THIS MORNING, PRIOR TO SALE.

CATALOGUES FREE PER POST, on application to the Auctioneers.
NOTE.—Intending purchasers proceed per Balmain or Drummoyne Tram, alighting at Johnston-street.

JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE,
FINE ART and GENERAL AUCTIONEERS,
128, 130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET,
have been favoured with instructions from Mrs. JOHN YOUNG to conduct the Important Sale by auction, as above.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY,

17th MAY, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

AT THE AUCTION SALE ROOMS
OF

JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE,

128-130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

SUPERIOR MODERN FURNITURE
and
HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS,
including
The Complete Furnishings of a Gentleman's Residence at Rose Bay, removed to the rooms for convenience of sale, and on account of numerous interests.
Comprising
HIGH-CLASS TABLE APPOINTMENTS
in Cut and Engraved Glass, French Limoges Dinner and Dessert Services, Finest Sheffield Cutlery, and Finest Quality Electroplate.

ROYAL AXMINSTER AND BRUSSELS CARPETS.
KASHMIER AND ORIENTAL CARPETS AND RUGS.

MASSIVE DINING-ROOM

FURNITURE,

including
FOUR TELESCOPE DINING TABLES,
Sizes 8, 10, and 12 feet.

SUITE OF WALNUT DINING CHAIRS.
SUITE OF OAK DINING CHAIRS.
DINING-ROOM SUITE IN SADDLEBAGS.

SOLID WALNUT SIDEBOARD,

made to order in England by

Messrs. W. WALKER and SONS,

BUNHILL ROW, LONDON.

A NOBLE AND MOST IMPOSING SIDEBOARD, size 7ft, constructed with full regard to convenience, with commodious cupboards, cellarette, and drawers. Lofty Back, with massive shelves on carved columns, bevelled-edged mirrors and cove top, relieved with ornate carvings. COST IN LONDON £80. In perfect preservation.

SUITE OF CARVED OAK LIBRARY FURNITURE.
TWO LARGE BOOKCASES.

THREE CEDAR OFFICE TABLES.

Valuable Pictures, Royal Worcester, Doulton, and Austrian Ornaments.

SEVERAL VALUABLE PIANOFORTES,

including
AN UPRIGHT GRAND BY THE BOSTON PIANO CO.
AN UPRIGHT GRAND BY HEINRICH HOCHMANN.
A SEMI-GRAND BY ERARD.

SUPERIOR BEDROOM SUITES.
DOUBLE AND SINGLE BEDSTEADS AND BEDDING,
and
AN EXTENSIVE ASSORTMENT
of
USEFUL FURNITURE AND HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS.

HANNAM'S PATENT BATH-HEATER,
with all fitments, for gas, complete, and in perfect order.

WHITE ENAMELLED BATH.

Also,

A PARK PHAETON,

WITH SOLID LEATHER HOOD AND RUMBLE, BUILT BY HENRY HOOKER and CO., NEWHAVEN, AMERICA.

ETC., ETC., ETC.

NOW ON VIEW.

JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE,
FURNITURE AND FINE ART AUCTIONEERS,
128-130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.

WAVERLEY.

TO-MORROW, AT 11 O'CLOCK,
SALE BY AUCTION, AT
84 EBLEY-STREET.
OFFICE DESK, OFFICE CHAIRS, SIDEBOARD
LEATHER COUCHES, Austrian Chairs, Tables
Curtains, Ornaments, Crockery, and Glassware
BEDROOM SUITE, DOUBLE BEDSTEADS and DOUBLE COT, COMB. CHESTS, M.T. WASH-STANDS, Kitchen Requisites.

*** Everything is quite equal to NEW.

SYDNEY DAVIS AND CO.,
AUCTIONEERS,
3 Post Office-chambers. Tel., 2157.
THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 11 and 2.30,
AT KELSON'S CENTRAL SALEROOMS,
115 BATHURST-STREET.
SUPERIOR HOUSE FURNISHINGS.
Din. and Draw.-rm. Suites, Bamboo Suite, 7 pcs. Sad.-bag Suite, 9 pcs.; 5 Upright Pianofortes. Din. and Card Tables, Bookcases, Hall Stands, Aust. Chairs, 10 H.B. Chairs, Lace and Tap. Curtains, Linos., Carpets, Overmantels, Massive Sideboards. Handsome 3-pce. Bedroom Suite (Rosewood finish). 3-PCE. WALNUT STD. BEDROOM SUITES, Bev. Mir., ASH B.R. SUITE, Polished Pine B.R. SUITE. Bedsteads complete, 5ft, 4ft 6, 3ft 6, and 3ft. Oct. and Bevel. Wardrobes, Toilet Pairs, Comb. Chests. Ware, Giltframed Pier Glass, Showcase, Counter, Step Ladders, Gas Stove, Pictures, Kit. Tables, etc.

VINCENT H. KELSON,
AUCTIONEER,
will sell at his Rooms, This Day, as above.

CLEVELAND-STREET, SURRY HILLS.
THIS (THURSDAY) AFTERNOON, AT 2.30,
BY PUBLIC AUCTION.
On the Premises, 388 Cleveland-street, near Crown-st. The Furniture and Effects of a 2-story House.
Paling Piano, Machine, Ced. Sideboard, Tables, Chairs, Glass and Crockeryware; Single, Three-quarter, Double Beds, Blankets, Sheets, and Quilts, Kitchen, Laundry.

E. HERBDEN BRODRIBB will sell as above. NO RESERVE.

THIS DAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, AT HIS ROOMS, 247A PITT-STREET,
The Unredeemed Jewellery pledged with Mr. H. Sherman, at the Mont de Piete Loan Office, 663 George-street, Haymarket:—
Single-stone and Half-hoop Diamond Rings.
Gold and Silver Chronographs, Lever and Waltham Watches.
Diamond Brooches, Bracelets, Lockets, and Pins.
Gold Alberts, Muff Chains, Links, Bangles, etc.
Diamond, Signet, Keeper, and Wedding Rings.

£1 LENT FOR 6d PER MONTH.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street, on TUESDAY, MAY 21st, 1907, the UNREDEEMED PLEDGES pawned with M. Goldstein, Balmain Mont de Piete, 72 Beattie-street, Balmain, on dates as under:—1906.—Mar.—20th, S.S. machine 691290 and cover. Apl.—11th, s h 1 watch and alb 5654; 17th, g w ring; 21st, g b ring; 26th, g w ring. May—8th, g buckle ring; 30th, clock and stand. June—5th, p pendant and chain; 11th, g brooch and fob (in purse); 12th, s h w watch 4819756, g w ring; 14th, g o f g watch 8756. July—9th, r g watch and alb; 11th, g w ring; 19th, 2 g brooches; 18th, g plate; 21st violin and bow (in case); 23rd, White's s machine 11830 and cover; 28th, 2 g rings (in case), accordeon (in box); 30th, g brooch and 2 lockets. Aug.—2nd, g bangle; 4th, g brooch (in case); 7th, g w ring; 7th, r g watch and chain; 13th, g w ring, g k ring; 14th, sugar scuttle and scissors; 16th, g brooch (in case); 30th, gun. Sept.—8th, s h w watch 2658201 and alb; 12th, brush and comb; 17th, bangle; 19th, g w ring; 26th, pendant; 29th, s h 1 watch 23085. Oct.—6th, g brooch and 2 g rings (in case); 8th 2 g w rings; 9th, g stone ring; 19th, g pin, g w ring; 22nd, g d ring and s albert. Nov.—1st, g brooch, ring, and brooch; 2nd, cruet; 9th, g dress ring; 12th, s o f l watch 2302 and alb; 17th, g w ring, g stone ring, small h h dia ring. July—27th, sundries. Aug.—4th, coat and vest; 7th, trousers and vest; 18th, sundries, o'coat; 25th, suit (in hamper). Sept.—1st, mac; 10th, dress; 17th, rem of silk; 22nd, 1 coat, 26th, shirt. Oct.—2nd, dress, etc; 17th, skirt, etc; 30th, dress (in basket); 25th, shirt, etc; 30th, trousers and vest. Nov.—19th, suit, dress, etc; 24th, dress. Dec.—1st, sundries; 8th, suit; 11th, 3 n dresses, dress; 17th, boots, suit; 27th, boots, p dress; 29th, suit. 1907.—Jan.—5th, coat and vest; 9th, skirt and blouse; 12th, suit; 14th, boots; 17th, 3 rem'ts; 18th, sundries; 26th, coat and vest. Feby.—1st, sundries; 2nd, suit; 4th, skirt and blouse; 11th, trousers; 12th, suit, dress, overcoat (in hamper); 16th, dress, trousers and vest. Also all pledges on which the sum of five shillings and under has been lent; also goods which were previously advertised and kept back by request of pawners. No interest taken on day of sale.

FRIDAY, 17th MAY,
at the CITY MART, 8 SPRING-STREET,
AT 11 A.M.,
ON ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,
WITH ALL FAULTS,
IN BOND.

A LARGE QUANTITY OF GENERAL ISLAND TRADE GOODS, consisting of
ISLAND TWIST TOBACCO
OILMEN'S STORES
HARDWARE
AXES
DRAPERY
PAINTS and OILS
KNIVES, ETC., ETC.

FRASER, UTHER, AND CO., LTD., have received instructions to sell by auction, The above.

SALVAGE.

FRIDAY, 17th MAY,
at the CITY MART, 8 SPRING-STREET,
AT 11 A.M.

ON ACCOUNT OF WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,
WITH ALL FAULTS,
Removed from the Late Fire at
MESSRS. RIDDELL BROS., LIMITED.

UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE ASSESSORS.

A LARGE QUANTITY OF ENGLISH AND AMERICAN ASSORTED CONFECTIONERY,
consisting of
Cream Caramels, Fry's and Cadbury's Chocolates, Sen Sen Chewing Gum, Musk Lozenges, Butter Creams, Coconut Biscuits, Bowser and Cailler's Chocolates and Mixtures, Russian Caramels, Crystallised Ginger, Pineapple Squares, etc., etc.

FRASER, UTHER, AND CO., LTD., have received instructions from the Assessors to sell by auction the above, on FRIDAY NEXT, the 17th May, at the City Mart, at 11 a.m.

IN THE ESTATE OF HARRY WILLIAM DECENT.
IN BANKRUPTCY.
Under Instructions from W. H. Palmer, Esq., Official Assignee.
TUESDAY NEXT, MAY 21st, at 11 a.m.,
on the Premises,
140 CASTLEREAGH-STREET.
Roll-top Desk, Iron Safe, Writing Table, and General Office Furniture.
BARNARD AND CO. will sell by auction, as above. Absolutely Without Reserve. Auctioneers' Telephone, 3778.

THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 2 o'clock.
HENRY LEVY will sell by auction, at 351 Cleveland-street, upstairs, Clothing, Underclothing, Boots, Bobs Table, Furniture. No Reserve.

ORDER OF SALE.

SHARES and PROPERTIES to be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m., by HUGH DUFF and CO., at their SALEROOMS, 283 GEORGE-STREET:—
SHARES.—2 CIVIL SERVICE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.
NORTH SYDNEY.—AMHURST-STREET, DALKEITH, Brick Cottage, hall, 6 rooms, kitchen, and all offices, land 50 x 130. Close to Reserve.
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CHAPTER VIII.—Continued.

And so it was finally settled, and Olive sent a pretty message of thanks to Mrs. Taunton by her lover, together with the explanation that she was going to Sheffield at once, and could not thus accept the invitation.

Despite her reluctance to give in to Jack's compromise, Olive was very happy about it. It seemed to take away much of the depressing sense of loneliness. She was very confident of success in her mission; and it cheered her to know that when that success came, happiness would be waiting for her at the end.

Mrs. Taunton's offer had pleased her also. It showed that there were people in the world ready to recognise that she herself had done no wrong, and ought not to be blamed; and the fact that it came on the top of Mr. Casement's offer added to her pleasure. Her heart was much less heavy than it had been since her father's death. These offers seemed like an omen of success.

When the day of her departure came she was cheerful and confident, and talked very brightly to Jack on the way to Oxford about her pleasure at the opening of the campaign.

"I am very sanguine, Jack," she declared, as he stood at the carriage window. "I know there has been falsehood somewhere. I know my father was the last man in the world to do what they say. He was the soul of honour. I shall soon have good news to send you. I am going to win. I feel it."

That was her thought when she started at length and left her lover gazing wistfully after the train. She waved to him as long as he was in sight, and then settled herself in her corner to think, resolutely occupying herself with her thoughts to shut out the present sorrow of the separation.

She travelled alone for a long time, but when the train was leaving one of the stations, the name of which she had not noticed, a tall woman entered the compartment. Olive was struck by her great height as she brushed past and took a seat at the farther end of the carriage, and saw also that she was closely veiled.

She paid no more heed for a time, burying her face in the magazine she was trying to read. But when she glanced up presently she found the woman was staring hard at her.

Quite unaccustomed to travelling alone, this disconcerted her, and she dropped her eyes again on to the magazine.

The woman laughed, and the voice was so unnaturally deep that, involuntarily, Olive glanced up again.

"You needn't look at me as if you thought I was a man," said the woman, speaking with a slight foreign accent.

"I beg your pardon. I did not mean to look at you," replied Olive.

"Oh, you may. I don't care," and with that the veil was pushed up.

It was no woman. The face was clean shaven, and the signs of the beard were plain and unmistakable.

Thoroughly alarmed now, Olive was at a loss what to do; and the fellow seemed to enjoy her confusion and dismay. He laughed again.

At that moment she caught sight of the communication-cord, and rose to stop the train.

"No you don't," cried the fellow roughly, as he pulled her back, and thrust her into her seat again. Keep still, I tell you. You'd better," he added with an oath, at the same time whipping out a small revolver and levelling it point blank at her head.

At that instant, with a shrill whistle the train dashed into a tunnel, and then Olive felt the man's fingers close round her throat.

CHAPTER IX.

IN PERIL OF HER LIFE.

Bitterly Olive regretted that she had refused to allow Jack to accompany her all the way to Sheffield as she felt her assailant's hold tighten on her throat. That was her first conscious thought. Her next was the flashing instinct that her best plan was to appear to faint.

The ruffian was a fellow of great strength; and although Olive herself was a very muscular girl, it was useless to think of struggling with him. If she was to have any chance at all in a tussle, it could only be later on, when perhaps she might be able to take him by surprise.

She was intensely alarmed; for she recognised that she was in real peril even of losing her life. But she retained her presence of mind and ability to think clearly. If the man's object were no more than robbery, she would offer no sort of resistance. He might take everything she possessed without any trouble.

She relaxed all her muscles, therefore, let her head fall forward on his wrist, and lolled to one side as if in a dead faint.

He let her fall and relaxed his grip on her throat; but stood close beside her, until the train emerged from the tunnel; using the time to search her pockets, and take away every penny of her money, and everything of value, tossing it all on the seat behind him.

When the daylight came again, he bent over her to assure himself that she was not shamming. And the ordeal was a hard one. Not content with merely staring into her eyes and lifting her head and arms in turn, he pushed up her eyelids, watching them jealously as Olive let them fall again over the eye-balls. Then he pinched her arms between his strong finger and thumb, and at last drew out his pocket-knife, and, holding up one of her lids, made as if to jab it into the eye.

The manner in which she stood this terrible test appeared at first to satisfy him; but after a moment's thought he thrust the blade into the soft flesh of her upper arm.

Olive bore even this without flinching, and the fellow was convinced at last. With a grunt of satisfaction, he sat down on the seat opposite her, and counted up the money he had taken, and examined the few valuables. The only thing of any real worth was the engagement ring which Jack had given her, and he gave another grunt as he put it in his pocket.

Olive had fallen in a position from which she was able to watch his movements through her nearly closed lids, and she saw that he had put the revolver down in the seat next to him.

He sat for some minutes thinking intently, and watching his victim as close as a cat watches a mouse.

If she could but manage to get the revolver she would soon turn the tables was Olive's thought. She knew how to use it perfectly. More than once in the old days out in the Argentine she had accompanied her father into some rough places, and she had been carefully taught how to shoot straight and quickly.

But he sat right opposite to her, and the least movement on her part would bring him again upon her in a struggle in which she would not stand the slightest chance. It was like the punishment of Tantalus to see there, well within reach, the means of safety, and yet be unable to use it.

Presently, however, the man turned his head and looked out of the window as the train flashed past a station, and a grim smile spread slowly over his hard, brutal face as he looked again at her and nodded.

"If you only keep like that, my lady, it'll be easy enough," he muttered to himself, in a tone just loud enough to reach Olive's sharp ears.

She turned chill at the thought engendered by the words. He did meditate some further step. That was now clear; and she was racking her thoughts to guess it when he spoke again to himself.

He swore softly, and added: "I nearly forgot."

With that he began to fumble in his pockets, and at length took out a folded paper, which he opened, read, and then threw under the seat of the carriage.

A moment afterwards he let down the window, rose, and looked out.

The next instant Olive had sprung from her seat, and seized the revolver. She covered him with it, and slipped back to the other side of the carriage as he drew in his head and faced her.

"I can use this. Move another step and I shall fire," she cried, in a voice ringing with determination.

But the man only laughed. "Fire away, my dear. There's nothing in it."

Not believing him, she pulled the trigger as he advanced towards her. The hammer clicked.

"Try another barrel," he said, pausing a second as he laughed mockingly.

Instead of that, Olive turned and seized the communication cord and pulled it vigorously.

Enraged at this, he tore her away and threw her down on the seat. But this time she grappled with him, putting forth all her strength in the struggle, in the belief that help would now soon come.

It was a hopeless attempt, of course. He soon got her down, and held her while they waited to see the result of her summons.

"If they come, I'll swing for you," he said, furiously.

But nothing resulted. The train did not lessen speed, and as soon as it was evident that it would not pull up, he chuckled and released his hold.

"You won't fool me a second time, my beauty," he growled. "You had me right enough; but I'm alive to you now."

"What is it you want?" asked Olive. "I'll do anything you wish."

"I'll see to that for myself," said the brute, with another chuckle. "And for your fooling me in that way, I'll tell you what's coming to you," he added, with a deep, guttural oath in French.

(To be continued.)

SYDNEY ART CLUB.

Sir James Fairfax opened the fifth annual exhibition of the Sydney Art Club at Union-chambers yesterday afternoon with a brief speech of cordial encouragement to the many students and lovers of the art whose work he saw around him. He was glad to learn from the prospectus handed him by the president, Mr. Arthur W. Chapple, that great progress had been made, and that the present show represented an advance upon previous efforts. A great deal of time and study had doubtless been spent upon the various pictures, a fact which suggested the reflection that it would be well if something of a more definitely practical character could be allied with their art movement. He had more particularly in mind the Society of Arts and Crafts in London, which set them a good example in embracing the handiwork, demanding refined taste and skill, by which the humblest homes might be beautified and the domestic surroundings improved. He was glad to see that the Sydney Art Club aimed at something outside mere picture production. Before closing his remarks he would like to say a word of commendation for the black and white section, inasmuch as correct drawing of form and perspective were necessary as the foundation of all advanced work. Beginners should not hurry on heedlessly, but should, by patience and application, qualify as copyists before pushing on to original composition giving scope for creative talent. He had much satisfaction in declaring the exhibition open. (Cheers.)

Since last year the title of this society has been altered from "Sydney Sketch Club" to its present designation, a change justified by the larger scope of the exhibition. There are about 200 exhibits in oils, watercolours, and black and white, much of it students' work, but the idea also is that the show should form a fostering ground for the Royal Art Society's exhibition. As regards the level attained, any careful examiner will be "pulled up short" by something up to the level of the senior exhibition, when, on reference to his catalogue, he will generally find that he is in front of a painting from the brush of the president. Mr. Chapple is variously represented. His largest work, "Our First Line of Defence, Bondi," in which the spectator faces frowning cliffs, with the waves dashing in foam against them, is not his best, but it has vigour, and may be summed up as roughly effective. Mr. Chapple sends also a clever picture entitled "The Moon has Left her Hiding Place," showing a pier with lights reflected on the gleaming water, and hulls of shipping looming through the darkness. In the watercolour section this artist has some dainty little pictures, painted with delicacy, notably "Under Nature's Silver Light," and "A Corner of the Garden." Mr. J. W. Edwards is advantageously prominent in his cattle paintings, especially so in "A Cloudy Day." Though the landscape is weak, the young artist evidently possesses a definite talent for animals. Amongst the portraits he sends, the best is probably "Meditation," which, with the warm flesh tints of the pleasing face of the young girl whose hands are clasped upon a crimson pillow, makes a promising picture. Mr. J. Moore displays ability for handling architectural subjects in his watercolour, "Interior of St. Andrew's Cathedral," showing the pulpit and baldachino, with the light shining through the stained glass windows of the chancel, all well drawn and harmoniously coloured. The same artist is well represented in "Lane Cove, Evening," in which the peculiar brown tint of the trees with their weirdly-twisted roots is happily reproduced against the clear light of the distance. Mr. J. A. Knight has various pictures, amongst which the effects of "The Drifting Cloud," from which drenching rain descends upon the hill-side, may be approvingly mentioned. Mr. Hyde Perrott's best effort is his evening effect and harbour view from "Bay-road, North Sydney;" Mr. H. C. Hadley is acceptably represented in "The Waves Singing Gently to the Shore;" Mr. Walter T. Butler's sympathetic style is shown is "The Good Night Blush of Eve is Waning Slow;" and, amidst much that is crude, patient research will doubtless show a number of other pictures possessing some merit.

During yesterday afternoon songs and instrumental numbers were rendered, with Miss Elsie Aiken as honorary pianist of the club. The exhibition will remain open for 10 days, with a ladies' evening on Saturday, a conversazione on Wednesday next, and a dance on Friday week.

MEAT FOR THE ARMY.

VISIT OF MAJOR LONG.

INQUIRY INTO AUSTRALIA'S RESOURCES.

Major A. Long, D.S.O., of the British Army Service Corps, who passed through Sydney a couple of months ago on his way to New Zealand, returned by the steamer Maheno yesterday. His visit to the Commonwealth and New Zealand is made under instructions from the Imperial War Office, the object being to inspect our meat-packing establishments. He spent seven weeks in New Zealand, and made a thorough inspection of all the places there. He intends to remain here for about 10 days or a fortnight, and, as far as he can determine at present, he will then proceed to Melbourne and Adelaide, returning here after having inspected all the establishments in those States. Then he will make his way up to Brisbane, Rockhampton, and Townsville. He expects that the whole of his work will be completed, so far as Australia is concerned, about the beginning of July. During the day he waited upon the Minister for Lands, Mr. Ashton, who is Acting Premier. Mr. Ashton received the visitor very cordially, and told him that every assistance would be given him and every facility placed in his way to enable him to see the meat-preserving establishments and its allied industries. Major Long, in company with Mr. King, the secretary of the Board of Health, then visited the Agricultural Department, and called on Dr. Ashburton Thompson at the Health Department.

In conversation with a representative of the "Sydney Morning Herald" last evening, Major Long said he had met with every consideration in prosecuting his inquiries in New Zealand. He, however, could not see that there was any hope of business with that colony for the reason that preserving was made quite secondary to the exporting of frozen carcases of beef and mutton, which trade ran into some millions sterling per annum. He had inspected the New Zealand freezing works, and would give his favourable impressions in his official reports to the War Office. He found the quality of the tinned meats to be excellent, and the system one of cleanliness, but the industry was only on a small scale, say about £100,000 per annum. He inspected altogether 23 establishments in New Zealand, North and South Islands. He hoped to be able to make an equally thorough inspection of the establishments in New South Wales and the other States. His instructions were that he should see the class and condition of cattle slaughtered, inquire into the general system of Government inspection, the process of converting the stock into preserved meats, and how the process is carried out by the sanitary conditions of the establishments, and generally any other matters he might consider advisable to bring under notice. He proposed to visit the Sydney Meat Preserving Works, the National Packing Company's Works, and the establishment of the kind near Grafton. He would also visit some slaughtering places, including the Glebe Island Abattoirs and the cool storage establishments around Sydney.

Questioned as to the possibilities of trade with Great Britain, Major Long was not prepared to venture an opinion. He admitted that the disclosures in respect to Chicago meats had probably had something to do in determining the matter of his visit, and he pointed to the obvious fact that this visit was made under instructions from the Imperial War Office. He mentioned that there was an annual turnover of about 3,000,000lb of tinned meats in the British army, and he said it was proposed to have open to that army an avenue through which big supplies could be obtained to meet eventualities should an occasion arise as it did in the case of the South African war.

BILIOUSNESS AND FLATULENCY.

A TRAINED NURSE SAYS: "I ALWAYS RECOMMEND BILE BEANS."

As a reliable remedy for Biliousness and kindred ills Australians generally have proved Bile Beans unequalled. Differing as they do from the old-fashioned, out-of-date medicines of forty or fifty years ago, Bile Beans do not leave behind them those nauseous, debilitating symptoms so common to medicines which contain mineral drugs. Bile Beans are purely vegetable, and for this reason alone their superiority is assured.

Nurse O'Reilly, residing at 1 Walker-street, Redfern, Sydney, says:—"Some time ago I was prostrated with Flatulency, Heartburn, and Biliousness, and for some time had to keep to my room. Bile Beans were recommended to me, so I procured a box, and took two at bedtime. The effect was really magical, and Biliousness was soon a thing of the past. I always keep Bile Beans on hand, and recommend them to others, and in every instance they give complete satisfaction."

This proves once again that Bile Beans are a remarkable medicine, one always to be relied upon. They not only cure the complaints which troubled Nurse O'Reilly, but Indigestion, Constipation, Headache, Liver Disorders, Piles, Bad Blood, Bad Breath, and all disorders of the Liver, Stomach, and Digestive Organs. Price, 1s 1½d, or 2s 9d special family size (containing three times 1s 1½d), from all Stores and Chemists.—Advt.

There are several pages in this week's "Sydney Mail" relating to the new blast furnace at Eskbank, which was officially opened on Monday.—Advt.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

OUR STATE SYSTEM.

MUNICIPALISM AT WORK.

The work of compiling and publishing the code of ordinances, under which the councils will carry on their tasks, goes on apace. Now that the purport of the code is understood, complaints are not so frequent. The bodies and the individuals administering the important work of the shires especially find the advantage of having the detail work of the system co-ordinated, so that a common and universal mode of doing the work is furnished to hand, thus saving the necessity of each council puzzling out common problems for themselves, and creating a procedure which cannot have the advantage of uniformity.

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The important subject of valuations, rating, and appeals is dealt with in the recently issued ordinances applying to shires. The valuations are to be made by persons sworn to make their valuations "impartially and truly, according to the best of their judgments." The valuations may be appealed against under section 138 of the Local Government Act, and the tribunal is determined by the amount of the valuation. The aggrieved person whose valuation does not exceed £10,000, can go to the nearest Court of Petty Sessions; where the valuation exceeds £10,000 he must go to the nearest District Court. The notice of appeal may be made at any time within 28 days after notice of the valuation has been served on him, and the time of the hearing must be advertised in a newspaper circulating in the area.

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Ordinances are also framed in respect of section 148. This section gives "a power to the councils which has long been felt to be necessary in order to cure a defect in the municipalities law. There have been many instances in which owners of unoccupied land are not discoverable. The tenant of occupied land is, of course, chargeable with the rates, though the owner cannot be found. Under the new law, the local authority, when the rates accrued under the Act have been unpaid for four years, may go into possession, hold, and grant valid leases of such unoccupied land. After going into possession the council practically becomes, for a period, a trustee, or "mortgagee in possession" for the owner. It keeps strict accounts, pays expenses, rates, etc., and pays the residue to the person who can make good his claim to be entitled to the land.

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Such person entitled may at any time within 16 years, on proving his title, require the council to pay him the balance (if any) in hand, and give him possession; or may, if the balance is against him, pay it, and get possession. But after the period of 16 years has expired, without anyone making good a claim to possession, the land vests in the council. The period of 16 years appears to be far too long. The whole area surrounding such unoccupied land may be gradually increasing in value as years go on, owing to the enterprise of the surrounding owners and the civic spirit of the local council. The unknown owner may all the time be "lying low," evading present responsibilities, and before the effluxion of the statutory 16 years he may declare himself, and come in for all the increment value which he has done nothing to create, and which his bad citizenship has done much to hamper.

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A measure of the enterprise and ambition of the various local authorities may be obtained from the powers which some of them have applied for under section 109 of the Act. A perusal of the "Government Gazette" shows that Morpeth, Moruya, Willoughby, West Maitland, Quirindi, Parramatta, and Grafton have been extremely enterprising in asking for powers to exercise the new civic functions in the interests of the citizens. Grafton, for example, has applied for the whole fifty powers contained in the section. It is noticeable that suburban boroughs, such as Randwick, Newtown, and St. Peters, do not apply for the powers to regulate hoardings; but Willoughby, which is certainly one of the most alert of suburban boroughs, has hastened to acquire such powers. West Maitland, Quirindi, Parramatta, and Grafton have all decided to obtain power to tackle the hoarding nuisance.

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The procedure under the Act now is, that within 60 days after the Gazette notice 50 ratepayers may petition the Governor to direct a poll of the ratepayers as to whether such powers shall be conferred on the councils. It will be noticed that in the matter of powers, as also with regard to certain financial matters, the deciding voice, if a demand is made, rests with the "ratepayers," that is, those whose names appear on the ratepayers' roll, which is made up from the roll of electors. It is hard to believe that a poll will be demanded by the ratepayers to frustrate the progressive desires of the few councils which have come forward and acknowledged themselves willing to undertake the new functions which have been placed at their service by the increased powers of the new legislation.

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The Mayor of Mosman is again in the field on Greater Sydney with a reprint from Professor Albert Shaw's book on "Municipal Government in Great Britain," with comments of his own. It is always an unpleasant task to criticise the work of an enthusiast like Mr. Leahy; but he has now accepted the Federal idea of Sydney government, and upholds the continuation of the present system of multiplied councils, while advocating a control body over and above them. Mr. Leahy is apparently misled by a fancied analogy between the position of Sydney and that of London, and he acquiesces in the system under which Greater London is alleged to groan by reason of the existence of so many independent boroughs and the "city," operating over the same area as the London County Council.

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Mr. Leahy's idea for Sydney is a central controlling body, directly elected by the people of the whole metropolitan area, with district sub-municipalities also directly elected by the people. He regards this as an "ideal form of municipal government." It may be admitted at once that such a system, if the "central controlling body" had charge of all powers worth having, would be infinitely preferable to the present system. The defects are (1) that divided control, which cripples our civic government, would be perpetuated, though perhaps to a lesser degree; (2) the economy which we hope from Greater Sydney would be rendered less certain; (3) the spirit of universal pride in the city as a whole would not be realised while parochial boundaries are preserved.

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A question is often asked as to the literature on the subject of local government. It is clear that a growing volume of literature is being turned out by the students, and litterateurs who are more and more giving their attention to the subject and acknowledging its importance. A reader seeking an elementary knowledge of the question of modern civic progress could not begin better than by perusing Professor Albert Shaw's "Municipal Government in Great Britain" and "In Continental Europe." Professor Shaw, who is regarded as one of the foremost authorities and writers upon the subject, was sent by an American magazine syndicate to study the question on the spot, and he was the first systematic student who realised the "true inwardness" of the movement which was being unfolded in Britain and Europe. Professor Shaw is now editor of the New York edition of the "Review of Reviews."

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Mr. Frederick Dolman's "Municipalities at Work" gives a good description of the British towns, with a special eye on Birmingham, the scene of Mr. J. Chamberlain's well-known exploits in municipalism. In another style Mr. Sennett's "Garden Cities," a work containing a mass of information on the new movement for increasing the park lands of cities, is well worth perusal and study, and of a place on the shelves of the municipal enthusiast. Mr. Ebenezer Howard's pioneer book on "Garden Cities of To-morrow" should be read by those who have heard of the successful experiments in "gardening" at Port Sunlight, Bourneville, Pullman City, and other places. The garden city movement, Mr. Howard's idea, has now been realised, as Mr. Sennett's collated facts will show.

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To take another class of book, there is Colonel George E. Waring's "Street Cleaning, and the Disposal of a City's Wastes: Methods and Results, and the Effect upon Public Health, Public Morals, and Municipal Prosperity." This is a practical treatise upon how to cleanse a city, keep down dust, and dispose of waste, written by the man who came into power with Mayor Strong in New York, and who organised a system of cleansing, and a staff which is the admiration of visitors from other parts of the globe. Colonel Waring also shows the methods of street cleansing in London, Paris, Berlin, and other continental cities, which he visited, and from which he took some of the ideas incorporated in the New York system.

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Colonel Sexby's fine book, splendidly illustrated, "The Municipal Parks, Gardens, and Open Spaces of London," is well worth reading. He takes these gardens, of which he is the curator for the London County Council, and gives us their history, their development, their recent beautification, and the uses they are put to by the millions of Londoners who avail themselves of the opportunities of open-air recreation which the parks afford. Nothing could be more fascinating to an average reader than to allow himself to be conducted by Colonel Sexby through the quaint old squares and parks, commons and forests, the old open spaces upon which the ancient manor houses have been preserved, and are to-day used as refreshment kiosks for hungry and thirsty London holiday makers. Quaint byeways of history have been searched for information, and the poets are laid under tribute for lines on the historical spots. In this book the writer combines much shrewdness as an arborist, an historian, and an antiquarian, and in all things he is an enthusiast.

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A book on the same subject, written by a decorative gardener, is Robinson's "Parks and Gardens of Paris." In this the writer deals with the open spaces of Paris from the standpoint of the landscape gardener, the horticulturist, and the arborist, rather than from the standpoint of the municipal expert. The use to which the public put the parks is nothing to him. The decoration by the Paris municipal gardeners is everything. In the illustrations even, he deletes everything which may in his opinion interfere with the pursuit of his hobby, and thus we get illustrations which are explained as "lake and island view (an absurd kiosk-like structure on this point of the island has been omitted in the sketch)," or "In the Square Montrouge, evening (a wretched statue is omitted)." Had the author even written on Sydney Harbour, his artists would certainly, at his direction, have eliminated the shear legs from the view of Garden Island.

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The works of Professor Frank Goodnow are too well known to be catalogued here. "Municipal Problems" and "Municipal Home Rule: a Study in Administration," have been read as widely in England as in America, where they were written, and the interesting comparison which is afforded in his pages of the English system with the American is well worth study. Professor Goodnow's work has brought municipal subjects within the ambit of political science. In "municipal problems" we find the historical links traced between British and American municipal government; how the American system, profoundly influenced by the political and constitutional movements, broke away from English traditions, to which it is now gradually returning, so that in municipal, as in legal development, the great Anglo-Saxon stocks are converging into parallel streams.

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Lastly, no one can overlook the clever and witty opuscule of Mr. George Bernard Shaw, upon "The Common Sense of Municipal Trading," which gives one side of the question of municipal ownership; or ignore Lord Avebury's counterblast on the other. Truly the literature of municipal progress is becoming a large one, and the subject is more and more assuming the nature of science, which no citizen can afford to be wholly ignorant upon.

PROTESTANT ALLIANCE.

ANNUAL GRAND SESSION.

The business of the thirty-fourth annual grand session of the Protestant Alliance Friendly Society of Australasia Grand Council of New South Wales was continued at the Protestant Hall yesterday under the presidency of Bro. F. C. Howard, Worshipful Grand Master.

New rules and amendments to rules submitted by the Grand Council of Queensland were ratified.

The levy to the Grand Council's incidental fund was fixed at 6d per year, instead of 7d, as obtained last year.

The Grand Trustees' report stated that the amount invested on mortgage at the commencement of the financial year was £24,627. Of this sum expired mortgages amounting to £1949 had been paid off, leaving old mortgages amounting to £22,682 outstanding, while new mortgages, totalling £11,020, were accepted during the year, leaving £33,702, invested on mortgages to January 21. The amount of interest received from all sources was £1865 7s 5d. This amount very nearly covered the whole of the sum paid for funeral donations. Attention was drawn to the healthy condition of the Grand Council's funds, which had been increased during the year by £4000.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—Worshipful Grand Master, Bro. J. C. Humphrey; Deputy Wor. G.M., Bro. W. Layton; Grand Secretary, Bro. J. Salmon; Grand Chaplain, Bro. James Dean; Grand Treasurer, Bro. T. Henderson; Grand Trustees, Bros. I. B. Hodgson, J. Morrow, J. C. Hickson; Past Masters, members of the executive council, Bros. Nicholls and Giltinan; Grand Auditors, Bros. W. W. Dorman, H. Taylor, and W. C. Cooper; representatives Federal Council, Bros. J. C. Humphreys, J. Salmon, J. Morrow, W. G. Cooper, and T. Henderson; representatives on Friendly Societies' Association, Bros. J. C. Humphreys, J. Salmon, W. C. Cooper, and G. H. Leggo; credential committee, Bros. J. C. Humphreys, F. C. Howard, and J. Salmon; finance, appeals, rules, bylaws, and petitions committee, Bros. H. G. Grenfell, J. Dean, Johnston-Turner, G. G. Giltinan, and T. Henderson.

Fraternal greetings were received from the Federal Council, Protestant Alliance, the Queensland and Victorian Grand Councils, the Independent Order of Oddfellows, the Sons and Daughters of Temperance, the Order of Royal Foresters, and Sydney Dispensaries.

A motion to defer the consideration of the question of the consolidation of the sick funds till the next annual session was negatived by a narrow majority.

MANCHESTER UNITY CONFERENCE.

The annual conference of the Manchester Unity, I.O.O.F., was concluded yesterday in the Manchester Unity Hall, Castlereagh-street. The Grand Master (Bro. C. Still) presided.

It was decided to make the Unity Benevolent Fund levy 2d per member for the ensuing year, payable half-yearly, whilst the Unity levy was fixed at 10d per member, payable quarterly, and the guarantee fund premium for next year was struck at 5s per £100. The sum of £38 3s was voted for donations to hospitals, in which the following will participate:—Sydney, Royal Prince Alfred, Children's, King Edward hospitals, Queen Victoria Home for Consumptives, and the Broken Hill and District Hospital. A committee comprising Bros. F. G. Crofts, W. H. Austin, T. Kemp, and C. Still was appointed to investigate all proposed legislation to be submitted to Parliament affecting friendly societies. The following officers were installed:—Grand Master, Bro. F. G. Crofts; deputy, Bro. W. H. Austin.

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A cold can be cured much more quickly when treated as soon as contracted and before it has become settled in the system. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cure of colds, and should be kept at hand for instant use. Pleasant to take. Safe and sure. Always cures.—Advt.

Every farmer and pastoralist in the State should get a copy of this week's issue of the "Sydney Mail." There are special articles of an interesting character, with crisp notes on agriculture.—Advt.

LAW REPORT.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15.

HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA.

(Before the Chief Justice, Sir Samuel Griffith, Mr. Justice Barton, and Mr. Justice Isaacs.)

DELIVERY OF RESERVED JUDGMENT.

A SHIPMENT OF ONIONS.

Bowden Bros. and Co., Ltd., v Little.

The reserved judgment of the Court was delivered in this case. The Chief Justice, in delivering his judgment, set out the facts of the case—that the action arose out of a contract for the sale of 450 tons of Japan onions to be delivered in Sydney. The onions were shipped from Japan, but did not arrive in Sydney in merchantable condition. Appellants thereupon brought an action against the respondent to recover the contract price, and respondent brought a cross action against the appellants for breach of contract to deliver the onions. Appellants' action was in form, in the first count for refusing to accept the drafts or pay the price, and the second count was a money count for goods sold and delivered. The defendant (respondent) pleaded to that action that it was a term and condition of the agreement that the plaintiffs should deliver the onions at the place of delivery in a merchantable condition, and that they did not do so. It was also pleaded that it was a term and condition of the agreement that the onions should be delivered in such condition that upon arrival at Sydney they would be in merchantable condition except for deterioration, such as would be the necessary and inevitable result of transit. In the respondent's action the first count alleged an agreement that the onions should be delivered by the defendants merchantable condition at the port of destination were not so delivered. At the trial the Judge at an early stage of the case, directed the jury that on a contract such as this—shipping goods from Japan at a price c.i.f. to Sydney—the risk of transit fell on the vendor, and that he was bound to deliver the goods in merchantable conditions at the port of destination. The jury found for Little for £3729 15s 10d on his action for breach of agreement, and on the other action a verdict was found for the defendant. Bowden Brothers then moved to set aside the verdict or grant a new trial on a number of grounds, and the Full Court granted a rule nisi on certain grounds, but refused it on the main ground relied on, and the present appeal was against that decision. The question for determination, his Honor said, was what was the real contract between the parties, and what were the incidents of it. From the evidence it appeared that there had been some preliminary negotiations, and that the only onions procurable at that time in Japan were a kind procurable near Kobe. It appeared also that onions were cargo which, when carried at sea, have very great risk of deterioration, and that both parties were fully aware of this circumstance. The contract was for the shipment in Japan of that season's onions. They were to be sent at certain times in specified vessels, and under it the appellants shipped the cargo, and forwarded the bill of lading, the policy of insurance, and so on. The duty of the appellants, Messrs. Bowden Brothers and Company, was to ship in Japan, and not to deliver in Sydney. It followed, therefore, that the respondents' action, which complained of non-delivery in Sydney, was wrongly brought, unless it was a term of the contract that the goods should be at the risk of the appellants during the voyage. That was equivalent to a warranty that they should arrive in good condition. The appellants were, therefore, strictly speaking, entitled to a non-suit in the action brought against them by the respondents, or, at any rate, to a new trial. The suggestion had been made that an amendment of the pleadings should be allowed, and that respondent should be permitted to retain the original counts on which he had failed. He would express no opinion as to the proper warranty to be inferred in the present case, except to say that there must have been some obligation on the part of the shippers to ship the onions in merchantable condition. He thought the best course would be to order a non-suit in the case of Little v Bowden Brothers and a re-trial in the other action.

Mr. Justice Barton, and Mr. Justice Isaacs also delivered judgments agreeing with the Chief Justice's finding, and an order was made accordingly.

(Before the Chief Justice, Sir Samuel Griffith, Mr. Justice Barton, Mr. Justice O'Connor, Mr. Justice Isaacs, and Mr. Justice Higgins.)

FEDERAL OFFICERS AND THE INCOME TAX.

The appeal of Baxter v the New South Wales Commissioners of Taxation, involving the point as to the liability of a Federal Public servant to pay State income tax, was further argued.

Mr. Flannery and Mr. J. A. Ferguson (instructed by Mr. Reginald Sullivan) appeared for the appellant, John Baxter; Sir Julian Salomons, K.C., Mr. C. B. Stephen, K.C., and Mr. J. L. Campbell (instructed by the Crown Solicitor) for the respondents; the Attorney-General of the Commonwealth (Mr. Groom), Dr. Cullen, K.C., and Mr. Bavin (instructed by Mr. M. Hutchinson), for the Federal Government, to which leave to intervene had been granted.

Mr. Groom, Commonwealth Attorney-General, in his reply on behalf of the Commonwealth contended that under the Constitution it was intended to create a Federal Court for the interpretation of the Australian Constitution with respect to the limits of the powers inter se of Commonwealth and State. He also submitted that no appeal could be allowed from a decision of the High Court unless the High Court itself permitted it, that it was not bound by any decision of the Privy Council, and that it was the duty of the High Court to stand by its previous judgment unless it was satisfied from the arguments adduced before it that its own judgment previously given was unsound, and not because the Privy Council had disagreed with it. The reasoning which had guided the Judges in coming to their former decision was not ousted, and if the Court was of opinion that its previous judgment was sound, it was the final arbiter, and was bound to give an independent interpretation to the Australian Constitution. It was created to be the deciding power. The Commonwealth was invested with power to prevent the State Courts from exercising any federal jurisdiction whatever. But this Court had the obligation laid upon it by the statute that it was under statutory obligation to decide the question in accordance with its own judgment upon the facts brought before it, and not because of any decision by the Privy Council, as that would really not be fulfilling the obligation placed upon it.

Mr. Justice Higgins: On what sections do you rely as showing that it is the duty of this Court to decide on its own judgment, as distinct from the decision of the Privy Council, to which there is an appeal, possibly in every case, and from which there is no appeal possible to the High Court?

Mr. Attorney-General Groom: The section he relied on was section 74, but there were several sections which led by implication to the same result. He also submitted that the consideration of the status of this Court led by implication to the same conclusion.

Mr. Flannery, referring to a remark by Sir Julian Salomons during his argument, pointed out that the Privy Council Acts which gave the right of appeal did not relate to the High Court at all, but only related to the Supreme Courts of the States.

Mr. Justice Higgins: How would you answer this question—If there is a right in the King-in-Council to hear any appeal from any Court outside Great Britain, unless it is expressly excluded from it, then how would you show that this Court is expressly excluded?

Mr. Flannery: This Court was instituted under an Act which gave it a special position, and it had in certain matters co-ordinate jurisdiction with the Privy Council.

Mr. Justice Higgins: But looking at the whole jurisdiction of the King-in-Council, unless there is something which takes it away from the Act under which the King-in-Council has the right to hear appeals from the plantations and outside Courts of the Empire, does that involve an appellate position as regards the Courts outside Great Britain, and does it involve that any Court outside Great Britain should follow this Judicial Committee unless there is something expressed to the contrary?

Mr. Flannery: That was so, except in so far as the rule was broken by section 74 of the Constitution. The Imperial Parliament stated that all colonial Courts should be subject to the decision of the Privy Council, but this Court was a newer Court, and it derived its constitution from a different source from the others. If the view were adopted that this Court was subservient to the Privy Council the whole effect of section 74 would be swept away.

At the conclusion of the argument the Court reserved judgment.

(Before the Chief Justice, Sir Samuel Griffith, Mr. Justice Isaacs, and Mr. Justice Higgins.)

A STOCKTON PROPERTY.

CLAIM FOR RENT.

Dr. Cullen and Mr. Milner Stephen, instructed by Mr. Frank A. Davenport, appeared for appellants, the Perpetual Trustee Company, Limited; and Mr. Knox, K.C., and Dr. Coghlan, instructed by Mr. C. A. Coghlan, for the respondents, Charles Frederick Orr, John George Duke, and John Flett.

This was an appeal from the judgment of the Supreme Court, made on November 2, 1906, for rent for land, wharfs, patent slip, and machinery at Stockton, Newcastle Harbour.

Dr. Cullen explained that the appellants were the trustees of a property at Stockton, facing Newcastle Harbour. They held it under a grant which contained the usual provision for a 100ft tidal water frontage, but they occupied the frontage and erected wharfs, a slip, and machinery on the property. Then the property was leased to others, from whom defendants obtained it as assignees of the lease for 23 years from June 1, 1882. A rent of £350 per annum covered all, and the lessors convenanted not to grant any of the foreshores for a slip or other conveniences for repairing ships other than those already in existence on the property. About 10 years before the lease terminated, the Crown asserted its right to the 100ft reservation, and brought an action against the lessors, and got judgment against them. Following upon this the Crown proceeded against the lessees and secured judgment in that case also. The assignees of the lessees then obtained a lease of the 100ft reservation from the Crown, instead of giving up possession or remaining and claiming apportionment, on the ground that they had been evicted from part of their lease. The rent was paid up to the last year of the lease, but three-fourths of the rent for last year had not been paid at the time the lease terminated. Plaintiff therefore sued for £262 10s. In their defence defendants said that in view of the proceedings taken by the Crown they were taken out of possession, and they claimed apportionment. Plaintiffs, in their replication, which was demurred to, set up the fact by way of plea of estoppel, and urged that defendants should not be permitted after remaining in possession for the whole time and obtaining the lease from the Crown and getting the benefit of the restrictive covenant to claim apportionment after the expiry of the lease. The question was whether the plaintiffs had a preferential right to the lease. The Full Court held they had not that right to the 100ft reservation.

The case stands part heard.

SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

IN BANCO.

(Before Mr. Justice Cohen, Mr. Justice Street, and Mr. Acting Justice Rogers.)

APPEAL AGAINST INCOME TAX.

THE CASE OF W. N. WILLIS.

APPELLANT SUCCEEDS.

Re Mary Willis (Income Tax Commissioners, respondents).

Mr. Lamb and Mr. Pickburn, instructed by Mr. F. Y. Wilson, appeared for Mary Willis (wife of William Nicholas Willis), in support of an appeal against the assessments made by the Income Tax Commissioners on her husband's income for 1903, 4, and 5. Mr. C. B. Stephen, K.C., and Mr. J. L. Campbell, instructed by the Crown Solicitor (Mr. J. V. Tillett), appeared for the respondent Commissioners, in support of the assessment.

The particulars of the case have already appeared.

Mr. Lamb resumed his argument in reply, and said that the point raised by his learned friend was absolutely concluded by the special case. His Honor Judge Murray, sitting as a Court of Review, did not find that there was an error in the assessment book. He simply decided in favour of the respondent Commissioners, and held that the assessment for the year 1903 had been rightly made. He, therefore, dismissed Mrs. Willis's appeal, and that being so, the point raised by Mr. Campbell was not open to him. In the special case Judge Murray stated that the question for the decision of the Court was whether he was right in over-ruling the contention advanced on behalf of Mary Willis, and deciding in favour of the respondents. If they looked at the assessment book it was manifest that the Commissioners assessed Mrs. Willis as attorney for W. N. Willis; and the point he took before the Court of Review, and also before this Court, was that the Commissioners had no power to assess Mrs. Willis as attorney for W. N. Willis under the circumstances which arose in the case.

Mr. Blacket said that he was in the demurrer which was next on the list, and suggested that the Court should reserve its judgment in the special case until the demurrer was argued.

Mr. Lamb said that although there might be some technical difference, the points raised on the demurrer were substantially the same as those raised in the special case. Defendant had raised, or attempted to raise, exactly the same points. If, therefore, the Court resolved to go on with the demurrer, the argument would become absolutely academic.

Mr. Acting Justice Rogers: We do not want anything academic, because we have quite enough to do in deciding the points at issue.

Mr. Lamb said that if the Court held in defendant's favour on the special case that would conclude the matter, because the Court would then hold that Mrs. Willis was not properly assessed. If, however, he failed on the appeal, it would be useless for Mrs. Willis to defend the action.

Mr. Blacket said there was more than a technical difference between the special case and the demurrer, but his argument would be very short.

The Court decided to hear the demurrer argued before deciding the special case.

On the demurrer, Mr. C. B. Stephen, K.C., and Mr. Blacket, instructed by Mr. J. V. Tillett (Crown Solicitor), appeared for the Commissioners of Taxation in support of the demurrer to defendant's 9th, 10th, and 11th pleas, and in support of the plaintiffs' replication to those pleas. Mr. Lamb and Mr. Pickburn, instructed by Mr. F. Y. Wilson, appeared for defendant in support of the pleas, and also in support of the demurrer to the replications referred to. The question at issue was argued to some extent on February 13 last, but as the Bench was now differently constituted, it was re-argued. The Commissioners of Taxation had sued Mrs. Mary Willis as attorney for William Nicholas Willis for income tax claimed to be due, and payable for 1903, 1904, and 1905. In her 9th, 10th, and 11th pleas defendant pleaded that W. N. Willis had paid income tax for the years named on a default assessment, and that she was not attorney for her husband during the periods for which the assessment was served upon her. These pleas the plaintiffs traversed by certain replications, and Mr. Blacket contended that as there had been an appeal to the Court of Review on each assessment, and the decision was against defendant, that concluded the matter. The substantial point was whether a taxpayer who was not actually present in the State, but who received income in 1903, 1904, and 1905, could be afterwards assessed through his attorney or agent. The taxation was not on the individual, but on the income, and under the Act, and especially by sections 18 and 19, the Commissioners had power to do what had been done here. The person who received the income could be assessed, and the whole tax could be recovered from somebody else without any assessment at all. Of course, if the Commissioners failed to show that Mrs. Willis received these moneys they could not recover.

Mr. Lamb on the other side submitted that the question of law was whether Mrs. Willis was duly assessed. It was not alleged by the Commissioners that W. N. Willis had been duly assessed, and as to Mrs. Willis, the facts showed that she was not duly assessed because in 1903, 1904, and 1905 she was not the agent of the taxpayer.

Mr. Justice Cohen said the Court would reserve judgment on the demurrer until the decision of the Privy Council in the case of Commissioners of Taxation v Mooney was received. He would, however, now deliver judgment in regard to the special case. It appeared that for the year 1904 the Income Tax Commissioners made a default assessment of £300 as the amount of W. N. Willis's income, and fixed the tax at £7 10s, which Willis paid. Then in 1905 Willis, not having sent in a return in respect of that year, the Commissioners made a default assessment of £2600, fixing the tax at £50, which was also paid. W. N. Willis left New South Wales for South Africa in May, 1905, and did not return until some time later in that year, and the Commissioners, from something that appeared to have come to their knowledge, made further assessments for 1903, 1904, and 1905 in respect of Willis's income, which they assessed at £30,000 for each year, and fixing the tax at £750. These assessments were served upon Mary Willis as the agent or attorney of William Nicholas Willis; and Mr. Campbell now contended that the assessments were really on W. N. Willis, and that the introduction of the words "Mary Willis" in the assessment book was quite unnecessary and a redundancy. The Court, however, on a fair and reasonable construction of the Act, could, he thought, come to no other conclusion than that this was an assessment upon Mary Willis, although, no doubt, in her representative capacity as attorney of William Nicholas Willis. He was further led to that conclusion by the fact stated in the special case, that at the time the assessment was made W. N. Willis was away from New South Wales, and that it was altogether problematical when he would return; and the Court might fairly suppose that the Commissioners were desirous of making an assessment upon Mary Willis as the representative of the taxpayer for the purpose of obtaining payment of the £750 income tax for each of the three years. The case must mainly depend upon the construction which the Court put on the assessment notice as it appeared in the assessment book, and whether the notice or assessment could be made as against Mary Willis. The assessments for 1904 and 1905 were unquestionably default assessments. It was not contended that that for 1903 was a default assessment, but Mr. Lamb argued that it stood in exactly the same position as 1904 and 1905 in this respect, that under the circumstances Mary Willis could not be called upon as the representative of the taxpayer to pay anything in regard to the years 1903, 1904, and 1905, inasmuch as she received no portion of the income of W. N. Willis during 1902, 1903, and 1904, which were the years to be considered in assessing the income tax for 1903, 1904, and 1905. The question turned mainly on sections 18 and 19 of the Act, and it was perfectly clear to his mind that Mary Willis was not entitled to anything for 1902, 1903, and 1904, and had no control over her husband's income during those years. It also seemed to him to be a sound principle that a person could not be in default in not sending in a return unless there was a legal obligation on the part of that person to do so, and as Mary Willis could not be in default in this case the Commissioners had no power under the Act to issue a default summons against her. If it had been intended to assess Willis the notice issued should have contained that notification clearly and specifically, but the person assessed was Mary Willis in her representative capacity. That being so he was of opinion that the Court of Review was wrong in overruling the contention of the appellant Mary Willis, and deciding in favour of the Commissioners.

Mr. Justice Street concurred. There was no possible doubt that the person assessed was Mary Willis in her representative capacity, and as she received no income as her husband's representative for the years in respect of which she was assessed the claim of the Commissioners failed. Whether the Commissioners could take another course was a matter in respect of which he expressed no opinion.

Mr. Acting Justice Rogers also concurred.

Appeal allowed, with costs.

A WHEELER'S TROUBLE.

MOTION FOR A PROHIBITION.

Re Henry Purcell (W. Rogers and another respondents).

Mr. Piddington and Mr. G. H. Wilson, instructed by Messrs. Owen and Son, of Wollongong (by their agent, Mr. P. J. Pratt), appeared for Henry Purcell, of Mount Kembla, wheeler (who being a minor was represented by Michael Purcell), and moved to make absolute a rule nisi for a prohibition to restrain William Rogers, of Mount Kembla, mining manager, and Henry J. Chisholm, P.M., of Wollongong, from further proceeding upon the order of the magistrate named on April 11 last at the Court of Petty Sessions, Wollongong. Mr. Blacket, instructed by Mr. H. Cox, of Wollongong (by his agents, Messrs. M'Elhone and Barnes), appeared for respondent William Rogers to oppose the application. It appeared that Purcell was charged on an information laid by Rogers for that on March 5 last, at Mount Kembla colliery, he being employed in or about the mine, did impede work in the mine, contrary to the Coal Mines Regulation Act of 1902 and the regulations thereunder. He pleaded not guilty, but was convicted, and fined £1, with £5 1s 6d professional and other costs. He now appealed on the grounds that there was no evidence to support the information, and that rule 187 of the special rules of the Mount Kembla Colliery was ultra vires of the Coal Mines Regulation Act of 1902. The prosecution apparently arose in consequence of a dispute between the manager of the mine and the wheelers, and the appellant was accused of knocking off before the proper time.

The case stands part heard.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson, Chief Judge in Equity.)

A DIAMOND RING.

DISPUTE AS TO A WILL.

Davis v Wangenheim.

Mr. Gordon, K.C., and Mr. R. K. Manning, instructed by Messrs. John Williamson and Sons, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Langer Owen, K.C., and Mr. E. H. Sheppard, instructed by Messrs. Deane and Deane, for the defendant.

This was a suit brought by Alice Maud Davis against Elizabeth Wangenheim. The statement of claim set forth that Edward James Wangenheim, of 203 Victoria-street, Darlinghurst, was, at the date of his death, possessed of a diamond ring of considerable value, and of certain other personal estate and real property in New South Wales. By his will, dated June 15, 1906, Edward James Wangenheim gave the ring to plaintiff, as well as several specific bequests, and directed his executrix, the defendant, to pay to plaintiff during the life of his mother an annuity of £156 by equal weekly payments of £3, and further directed that after the decease of defendant should she predecease plaintiff, the annuity was to be increased to £260 per annum, in equal weekly payments of £5, during the life of plaintiff. Testator died on or about September 24, 1906, without having altered or revoked the will, and probate was granted thereof on or about November 29, 1906, to defendant. Plaintiff had applied to defendant for delivery to her of the ring, but defendant refused to deliver it up, and had offered plaintiff another ring of inferior quality, and of considerably less value. The residuary personal estate of the testator was insufficient for the payment thereout to plaintiff of the £3 per week bequeathed to her by testator. The real estate of the testator or the rents and profits thereof was sufficient for such payment, but the defendant, alleging that the said weekly sums were not chargeable on the real estate of the testator or on the rents and profits thereof, had refused to pay any portion of the weekly sums to plaintiff. Plaintiff therefore prayed that defendant might be ordered to deliver up the ring; that the weekly sums of £3 and £5 respectively bequeathed to plaintiff by testator be declared a charge upon and payable out of (a) the residuary personal estate of the testator, (b) the rents and profits of the real estate of the testator, and (c) the corpus of such real estate.

The defence was that the will was not correctly set forth in the statement of claim. Defendant denied that she had refused to deliver up the diamond ring; on the contrary, she offered it to plaintiff, but plaintiff had refused to accept it. There had not come to her hands, nor was she aware of the existence of any, personal estate of the testator which she could at present admit as assets for the payment of any of the weekly sums of £3. She admitted that so far as she was aware, it would be necessary to raise a part, if not the whole, of the weekly sums out of the real estate of the testator, or the rents and profits thereof, if the real estate was on the true construction of the will charged therewith. The dispute between plaintiff and defendant was as to the true construction of the will, and not a dispute of fact. Defendant further said she was willing to have the will construed in this suit, so far as it affected the plaintiff's claim to have the real estate of testator charged with payment of the annuity in aid of the personal estate (if any), except that she claimed the benefit of the executor's year.

Plaintiff gave evidence that she had known deceased for about 12 years. For the first four years they were simply friendly, then they kept company, and about 1901 she became engaged to marry him. The engagement was subsequently broken off, but they continued friendly and corresponded. He used to wear a valuable diamond ring, and at times she wore it. So far as she knew he was the owner of the ring, but after the will was read when she asked defendant for it she said that it did not belong to her son. Defendant, however, took a smaller ring off her finger, saying that that was her son's ring, but witness would not take it. Other witnesses said they had seen plaintiff wearing the ring on different occasions, while testator wore it on others.

Defendant stated in the witness box that she bought the ring and paid £35 for it, and that it was her property, and not her son's. She allowed him to wear it at times.

Plaintiff, recalled, said that deceased told her that his mother had made the ring a gift to him and that it was his own. Three and a half years ago she asked him if he would give it to her, and he replied that he would leave it to her in his will.

Evidence was concluded, and the addresses of counsel were entered upon.

The case stands part heard.

IN DIVORCE.

(Before Mr. Justice Simpson.)

HACK v HACK (H. DYER CO-RESPONDENT).

Mr. R. W. Fraser appeared for the petitioner, Charles William Hack, who sought for dissolution of his marriage with Edith Hack on the ground of her misconduct with Horace Dyer, who was named as co-respondent. The respondent and co-respondent did not appear.

His Honor, after hearing the evidence, pronounced a decree nisi, and made it returnable in six months; co-respondent to pay the costs of the suit.

ROLLESTON V ROLLESTON.

Mr. R. W. Fraser appeared for petitioner. This was a suit in which Emily Rolleston sued for dissolution of her marriage with George Andrew Rolleston, on the ground that respondent had wilfully deserted her for three years and upward. There was no appearance for respondent, and his Honor, after hearing the evidence, granted a decree nisi, and made it returnable in six months. Respondent to pay the costs of the suit.

CHAMBERS V CHAMBERS.

Mr. P. K. White appeared for petitioner. This was a suit in which Theresa Gertrude Chambers sued for the dissolution of her marriage with George William Chambers, on the ground that he had deserted her, without just cause or excuse, for three years and upwards. The respondent did not appear. After hearing the evidence on behalf of the petitioner, his Honor reserved his decision, as it appeared that the parties had not lived together after marriage, and the consideration arose whether under the Act wilful desertion by the respondent had been established.

FLAHERTY V FLAHERTY.

Mr. White appeared for the petitioner. In this suit the petitioner, Ethel Rose Flaherty, sought to obtain a dissolution of her marriage with Ambrose Percival Flaherty, on the ground that he had, without just cause or excuse, wilfully deserted her for three years and upwards. There was no appearance on behalf of the respondent, and his Honor, on the evidence, granted a decree nisi, and made it returnable in six months.

RANCLAUD v RANCLAUD.

Mr. Windeyer appeared for the petitioner. The respondent did not appear. This was a suit brought by John Stanley Ranclaud against Isabel Elizabeth Ranclaud for the restitution of conjugal rights. Petitioner's case was that respondent left him some time after the marriage, and had since refused to return to him.

Hir Honor made a decree ordering respondent to return to her husband within 14 days, after service of notice of the decree.

DOYLE v DOYLE.

Mr. Fraser appeared for the petitioner. Catherine Josephine Doyle, who sought for dissolution of her marriage with Joseph Doyle on the ground of the respondent's desertion for three years and upwards. Respondent did not appear, and his Honor on the evidence for the petitioner pronounced a decree nisi, and made it returnable in six months.

JONES v JONES.

Mr. Fraser appeared for the petitioner. Respondent did not appear. This was also a suit by Sophia Jones against James Harrington Jones for dissolution of the marriage on the ground of wilful desertion for three years and upwards. His Honor granted a decree nisi, and made it returnable in six months.

STATE ARBITRATION COURT.

(Before Judge Heydon, president, Mr. J. P. Wright, and Mr. E. Riley, members.)

EVIDENCE ON WAGES.

Shop Assistants' Union v Mark Foy and the Master Retailers' Association.

Mr. G. S. Beeby (of Messrs. Brown, and Beeby) appeared for the claimant union; Mr. Rolin and Mr. Kelynack, instructed by Messrs. Westgarth, Nathan, and Co., Messrs. Read and Read, and Mackellar, appeared for the respondents.

Particulars of the claim and amended claim have already been published.

Before evidence was proceeded with Mr. Rolin asked that the witness Leslie Williams, who stated the previous day that one fortnight at Grace Bros.' his fines amounted to 11s, should be recalled. Counsel added that he now had information from Grace Bros.' office which showed that the period in which Williams said he was fined 11s, he really only earned 1s 3d premiums, and could, therefore, not have been fined as much as he said, as fines came out of premiums. This man's evidence had been published, and would create a bad impression; therefore he (counsel) wished to cross-examine him further on the matter.

His Honor, in granting leave to have the witness recalled, said that he quite understood how the evidence, as published, would create a bad impression in the public mind.

William Tuckie, a draper in Hale and Co.'s shop, in Market-street, stated that he managed the drapery department in his store. He got £3 a week. His firm did a lot of time-payment business. There was very little difference in the price of time-payment goods and cash goods. Two of the men under him should be qualified as seniors—they were over 25 years of age, and got 25s and 30s a week, respectively.

Robert Edward Kerr, a shop assistant, employed as senior salesman at Lassetter's, in the Manchester department, said that he got £2 10s a week. He also got a bonus, which this year would amount to £28 10s. Some of the hands in the same department got £3 a week. Previously he was at Mark Foy's, where he got £1 15s a week with commission. At one time he was in business for himself, but did not make a success of it.

Leslie Williams (recalled), in answer to Mr. Rolin, said that the month he said he was fined between 9s and 11s he added up his premiums, and he was surprised to hear now that they only came to 1s 3d; he was sure they were between 9s and 11s.

Mr. Riley: 1s 3d seems a very little to earn as premium for a month.

Mr. Rolin: He was only there 17 days of the month.

Mr. Beeby: Yes; but the previous month he made £1.

Mr. Rolin: No, not £1, only 14s.

Witness: I got 14s, but I expected £1.

Mr. Riley: Well, there's a great difference in the comparative takings of the 17 days and the month.

Mr. Rolin: Well, the documents were prepared by the witness's own shopmates. There seems to be an impression that the firm gets the fines, whereas they go to the Provident Fund, and the girls who did the checking.

Mr. Beeby: Yes; but for how long has this been done; a few months?

Mr. Rolin: The fund has been established 18 months.

Mr. Beeby: Then half the money goes to the girls who find out the mistakes?

Mr. Rolin: They are caused extra work by the mistakes.

George Richmond Young, secretary of the claimant union, said that at present there were about 1000 members in the union. At one time they were 1400 strong. From his experience he could say that the small shops paid better wages than the big ones.

Mr. Rolin sought to find out how many financial members there were in the union.

Mr. Beeby objected to this, but Mr. Rolin pressed his question, contending that by showing the union was not supported by a majority of the employees, they were content with the conditions under which they worked.

Mr. Beeby: Well, why don't you call them to say so, and let me cross-examine them?

Mr. Rolin replied that their evidence would avail little, as the public would say what else could they expect from a witness with his employer sitting in court listening to him.

Mr. Beeby: We might as well say that those shopkeepers who are not members of the Master Retailers' Association should not be considered.

Mr. Kelynack: Neither they should.

Witness stated that there were 600 senior males and 400 females in the union. There were about 130 members in Broken Hill. That was the only country town where any number of members were. He thought there were about 20,000 shop assistants in the State.

Mr. Rolin again sought to show that the demand was not from the bulk of the employees, but only from a small section.

His Honor: It does not matter how hard the blow is that sets the percussion cap off, as long as it ignites the charge. If a few people show us our duty we will have to carry it out. Not half the people on the electoral rolls exercise their privilege of voting, but everybody has to be considered. Besides, a man can vote for nothing, while it costs something to join a union.

This witness's evidence closed the case for the union with the exception of two witnesses who are to be called later on.

Mr. Rolin handed in a list of questions, which he requested the Court to ask Mr. Lowe in camera. He also asked that Mr. Lassetter should be called upon to produce his wages sheet and balance-sheets for the past few years.

CASE FOR THE EMPLOYERS.

Samuel James Carruthers, secretary to the Master Retailers' Association, said there were from 70 to 75 members in the association. These included the large storekeepers in the city, besides men who employed one or two hands. Lassetter and David Jones and Co. were originally members of the association, but had left it. The association had conferred with the assistants, but no satisfactory results came of the matter. The number of hands employed by the members of the association was about 7000 or 8000.

To Mr Beeby witness said that all the members of the association were financial.

John M'Dowell, of the firm of M'Dowell and Hughes, stated that he began at 5s a week when he was 15 years of age. He started on his own account 17 years ago. He had been a shop assistant, and married when he was getting 45s a week, with premiums, amounting to 7s to 10s a week. He had been married 12 years when he went into business. He thought the opportunity was just the same now as it was when he was an assistant. There were a great many duffers, however, who thought of nothing else but putting in the day. The beginners at his shop who got 2s 6d to 5s a week did not serve customers. All they did was to watch the seniors and juniors at their work, and see how the serving was done. A salesman or woman was not competent to attend to customers until they had two or three years' experience. Girls who came as beginners got 2s 6d for the first twelve months. A girl for the first three months was absolutely no good in the business; she was rather a hindrance. He had had mothers bring their daughters to him offering to let them come at nothing to learn the trade. Many people regarded the first few years in a shop as adding a finish to a girl's education. Premiums were put on articles that would only be in fashion for one season, so as to induce the salesman to push such goods. Some hands sold a lot of premium goods, while others did not worry about those lines, preferring rather to please the customers than to force a line on them. Of course, it would not do to have all the salesmen like the latter class; the best man was the one who made a customer buy an article at a higher price than he or she intended to on entering the shop. Out of the applicants who applied to him 75 per cent. of them only asked 35s a week. That was the standard minimum wage. He had asked married men if they could live on 35s a week, and they had replied that they could.

Mr. Riley: Did they tell you they could save enough money at the salary to start a business?—No.

Continuing, witness said that the men were given rises when opportunity arose. Some of the men in his shop worked up to over £3 a week. If the award were made it would put a lot of small shops out of business and force their trade into the big shops, who could more easily balance the different departments, making the profitable counters help the unprofitable ones. He did not think casual hands should be paid more than regulars. He could not see how the Court could regulate the proportion of seniors to juniors in shops where there were mixed departments. If the claims of the union were allowed, it would mean that his business would have to be closed down. The wages claimed alone, without the proportion clauses, would make it impossible for him to carry on.

The case stands part heard.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS.

Re Thomas James O'Brien. Mr. C. Read appeared for bankrupt, and asked for a further adjournment to answer the report. Adjourned to June 12.

Re Alfred Percy Young. The report was read, and an affidavit in reply. The Registrar found that bankrupt had contracted debts without reasonable or probable grounds of expectation of being able to pay; but granted a certificate on condition that bankrupt pays £1 per month to the official assignee for the benefit of his creditors, out of his future earnings or income.

APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT OUT.

Re John Quinn, ex parte Joseph Jackson. An order was made as asked for the payment out of £12 paid into the Treasury on February 10, 1902.

MOTION UNDER SECTION 61.

Re George Young. The Registrar said he proposed to make an order for £2 per month, first payment to be made on June 1, and directed the usual letter to be drafted to the Deputy Postmaster-General. Adjourned to May 22.

MEETINGS AND EXAMINATIONS.

Re Sydney Raper. Bankrupt was sworn and examined by the official assignee, and by a proved creditor. The statement of affairs was ordered to be amended. Accounts were not filed. Adjourned to May 22.

Re Edmund George Gardiner. The statement of affairs was not filed. Adjourned to May 22.

Re Patrick Joseph Moy. Adjourned to May 29.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATIONS.

Ivo Roxburgh Wentworth Miles, of 49 Queen-street, Ashfield, clerk. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

Emma Jane Black, of Junee, widow, boarding-house keeper. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

DISTRICT COURT.

(Before Judge Murray and a jury.)

A NEW TRIAL.

INCIDENT AT GRACE BROTHERS.

M'Kenzie v Grace.

Mr. G. H. Reid, K.C., and Mr. P. K. White, instructed by Mr. E. R. Abigail, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Shand, K.C., and Mr. Garland, instructed by Messrs. Leibius and Black, for the defendant.

This was an action brought by Mary Ann M'Kenzie, of Balmain, widow, against Joseph Neil Grace, trading as Grace Brothers, to recover compensation for alleged wrongful arrest and false imprisonment. Damages were laid at £400.

Defendant pleaded not guilty.

The hearing of plaintiff's case was concluded about 3 o'clock, and the defence was entered upon, the first witness called for the defence being Mrs. Alice Kingsford.

The foreman of the jury asked how long the case would last, and Mr. Shand said it could not possibly finish by Friday.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Backhouse and juries.)

Mr. Pollock, Solicitor-General, prosecuted for the Crown.

A JURY DISAGREED.

The jury in the case in which Annie Best, Maud Kenny, and George Augustus Addison were charged with malpractice having been locked up for the night, and being unable to agree, were discharged.

PLEADED GUILTY.

Duncan Fraser Cameron pleaded guilty to two charges, one of breaking and entering at Port Macquarie and stealing, and the other of stealing. He was remanded for sentence.

CHARGE OF MISCONDUCT.

Herbert Giovanni Thurlow pleaded not guilty to a charge of having, on February 4 last, misconducted himself at Sydney. Mr. W. Edmunds appeared for the defence.

The jury acquitted the accused.

ALLEGED ASSAULT ON A CHILD.

Frank Hawley was charged with assaulting a little girl, aged 4 years, at Sydney on the 2nd instant, and pleaded not guilty.

Accused was found not guilty, and was discharged.

LAW NOTICES.

THURSDAY, MAY 16.

HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA.

At 10.30 a.m.—Motions on notice: Utick v Utick, same v same. For hearing: The Perpetual Trustee Company, Ltd., v Orr (part heard), and others; Batailard v the King; Marshall and others v Smith.

SUPREME COURT.

Term List.—Motion. In re gent. one, etc., ex parte Incorporated Law Institute (to answer affidavits, etc.). Motions generally. Motions, etc.: Ex parte Henry Purcell (prohibition), part heard; ex parte James E. Sawtell (mandamus); ex parte John Keegan (mandamus).

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary.—Thomas v Thomas, 2.30 p.m.; Jorgenson v ship Balmain, 3 p.m.

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge.—At 10 a.m.: Davis v Wangenheim (part heard). Before his Honor Mr. Justice Street, No. 2 Jury Court.—At 11 a.m.: In the matter of M. M. Seward and Infants' Custody Settlement Act, 1899, summons to rescind order. Before the Master in Equity.—At 11 a.m.: Hickey v Talbot (part heard). Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Ex parte R. C. Barge and L. P. Act, to tax costs. At 11.30 a.m.: Colonial Mutual L. Association v Kenworthy, to tax costs. At 12 noon: Re John Donohoe, deceased to settle minutes of order. At 2 p.m.: Welsbach Light Company of Australia v Grace, to settle minutes of decree. At 2.15 p.m.: Beatson v Perry, probate taxation; same v same, ditto. At 3 p.m.: Municipality of Sydney and Evans, to settle minutes of order.

Probate Jurisdiction.—The following accounts will be taken at the Probate Office:—John Richard Clarence, 10.30; Azarias Cook, 11; Mary Ann Perry, 11.30; Johanna Grogan, 11.45; Carl. Frederick W. Neideck, 12; Patrick Madigan, 12.30. Before the Registrar, at 11 a.m.—Re James Gallagher, deceased, to tax costs.

In Lunacy.—Before the Chief Clerk, at 11 a.m.: Re insane patient; conference, 10.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; general inquiries and maintenance matters.

Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy, at 11 a.m.—Examinations under section 30: Mina Antonio Comino, James Fugler Montgomery.

COMMONWEALTH COURT OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION.

Darlinghurst Court-house, at 10.30 a.m.—To be struck out: Application by New South Wales Government Railways Traffic Employees' Association for certificates of registration. In the matter of the appeal of the New South Wales Amalgamated Railway and Tramway Service Association against decision of Industrial Registrar in refusing registration. In the matter of the appeal of the Federated Amalgamated Government Railway and Tramway Service Association of Australasia against decision of Industrial Registrar in refusing registration. For hearing: Applications under the Excise Tariff Act, on behalf of:—Meadowbank Manufacturing Company, Clyde Engineering Company, Limited; Cohoe and Walster, of Junee; Henderson Bros., of Corowa; Ritchie Bros.

COURT OF ARBITRATION.

Probate Court-house, Chancery-square.—Before the President and Members, at 10 a.m.—For hearing: The Shop Assistants' Union of New South Wales, claimant, v Mark Foy and the Master Retailers' Association, respondents (part heard).

DISTRICT COURT.

Before his Honor Judge Murray and a Jury, at 10 a.m.—M'Kenzie v Grace, part heard. Before the Registrar, in No. 2 Court, at 10.30 a.m.—Kerr v Haughton. At 10.50 a.m.: Owen v Traveller.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.

John William Tonkin, offence; Walter John Moulton, embezzlement.

CUSTOMS INQUIRIES.

Before the Acting Collector of Customs, Sydney (Mr. J. Baxter), at 10 a.m.—The following cases will be dealt with under Part XV. of the Customs Act, 1901, and Part XIII. of the Excise Act, 1901:—Part XV.—J. B. Shortland (Borsdorff and Co.), misdescription of goods; E. H. Scales (W. and A. McArthur Ltd., S.A.), omission to make export entry. Part XIII.—Yee Hing, Sydney, neglect to furnish leaf tobacco return; H. J. Kenworthy (Carcoar), F. G. Hughes (Orange), E. M. Fitzgerald (Dubbo), R. P. Kenna (Bathurst), C. Anderson (Bathurst), J. H. Daveron (Orange), J. Kurtz (Mudgee), S. M. Holden (Mudgee), J. D. Wilkinson (Dubbo), W. J. Millen (Mudgee), W. G. Mitten (Bathurst), W. E. Clifton (Dubbo), D. Robertson (Grenfell), J. Clark (Orange), T. B. Barry (Narrabri), neglect to cut beer duty stamps.

CIRCULAR QUAY TRAM FATALITY.

Yesterday at the Water Police Court Francis Lloyd and Louis Albert Wannick, tramway employees, appeared before Mr. Payten, S.M., as a result of the tramway accident in Young-street on May 14.

Both accused were charged with, on May 14, 1907, being then persons employed upon the New South Wales railways, Lloyd as a tramdriver, and Wannick as a tram-conductor, being drunk whilst so employed.

Francis Lloyd was also charged with, on the same date, at Sydney, feloniously slaying one John Schofield Foster.

Mr. W. P. Crick, who appeared for both the accused, asked for a remand for a week.

On the lesser charge of drunkenness Lloyd and Wannick were remanded until the 22nd, bail in each case being allowed at £10.

Lloyd, on the graver charge, was remanded for a week. Bail allowed, self and one surety in £150.

THE LATE MR. FOSTER.

ORANGE, Wednesday.

Mr. John Schofield Foster, mentioned as having been killed in a tram accident at Circular Quay on Tuesday, was a resident of Orange for 43 years, and was in Sydney on business connected with the estate of the late Mr. Harry Lyons, solicitor, his brother-in-law. Deceased was a native of one of the southern States. After giving up business here he entered into grazing pursuits, purchasing Girilambone station, now managed by his son-in-law, Mr. Davison. He leaves a widow and two daughters.

THE REDFERN RAILWAY FATALITY.

INQUEST FURTHER ADJOURNED.

The City Coroner resumed the inquest yesterday on the death of Annie Millis, who died on May 2, as the result of falling off the platform of a railway carriage on the previous day, in the vicinity of Redfern station. The inquest had been adjourned for the purpose of additional information regarding the chain against which the deceased leaned, immediately prior to the fatality, being placed before the Coroner.

Mr. Cargill appeared on behalf of the Railway Commissioners.

Thomas Alexander Hughes, ticket collector, said that he was collecting tickets on the train in question. There were about 19 persons standing on the rear platform of the car on which Miss Millis was riding. He proceeded to the next car, to which he stepped by removing the chain by lifting the hook out of the eye. He did the same on the next car. He was certain that he put the hook into the eye on the car on which deceased was, and that the chain would require to be lifted out to enable it to fall. There was no skylarking. In answer to questions put by the Coroner, witness stated that there was a bylaw prohibiting passengers from riding on the platform, and that it was part of his duty to see that bylaw carried out. There was a notice to that effect at the end of every car. He had not, however, taken steps to enforce the bylaw on that occasion. Subsequently he asked some girls who were riding on the platform why they did not occupy seats in the carriage, and was told that it would cause them to be a couple of minutes late for their work.

Traffic Inspector R. G. Booth informed the Coroner that the probability was that when passengers were warned off the platform they would enter the car, but when the train was in motion they would again ride on the platform.

E. F. Allum, a railway carriage-builder and examiner, stated that he had examined the particular car. The chain and hook were in good order. He further stated that if the point of the hook was only placed on the eye the motion of the train would cause it to either fall in or out of the eye. It would be impossible for it to remain partly in or out during the progress of the train. Had the hook been properly placed in the eye the motion of the train could not possibly cause it to come out.

The Coroner adjourned the inquest until next Monday, so as to allow of further tests being applied to the chain and hook, under circumstances as nearly as possible similar to those under which the fatality occurred.

POLICE COURTS.

OPIUM SMUGGLING.

At the Water Police Court, before Mr. C. N. Payten, S.M., yesterday, James Sue, 44, a hairdresser, and John Smith, 45, labourer, were charged with having unlawfully in their possession 78 tins of opium on May 7, contrary to the Customs Act of 1901.

Mr. J. J. Cohen, M.L.A., instructed by the Federal Crown Solicitor, appeared to prosecute, and Mr. J. W. Abigail for the defence.

J. R. M'Manus, a Customs officer, stated that he filed the information against the accused. Mr. Cohen produced a document prohibiting the importation of opium, except for medicinal purposes. Witness, continuing, said that on the 8th instant, on receipt of certain information, he visited the Water Police Station, where the two accused were. Sue told him that he was standing on the Mosman wharf at about 10 p.m., when a stranger accosted him, and asked him if he was going to Sydney. The stranger then offered to convey him to Sydney in a skiff. Sue agreed. Smith, who was a stranger to Sue, also got into the skiff. The three landed in the vicinity of Fort Macquarie. The stranger who brought them over said that he had a basket, which he would like them to take to an hotel, where they would meet a man, who would take the basket and pay them for their trouble. Witness stated that John Smith said that Sue's account was quite correct. Witness went to an address in Castlereagh-street, and saw Sue's wife, and a search of the premises produced no result. Witness returned to the Water Police Station, and again saw the two accused. Smith then admitted that his name was Clark, and was at times in the employ of Sue. Sue told witness that Clark was in his employ for seven or eight years. A basket produced in court contained 78 tins of opium, which witness stated was for smoking, and not for medicinal purposes. Witness had had considerable experience with regard to the opium trade in the East. Medicinal opium was never, in his experience, put up in the manner of the tins before the Court. One of the packets was tied up in a Queensland paper, dated March 30, 1907. From the place of export the tins were valued at 7s 6d to 8s 6d per tin, the value to the people selling them here being 45s to 50s per tin.

To Mr. Abigail: Witness did not read Chinese. The difference between smoking and medicinal opium was that in the case of the former it was in a thick fluid form, but he would not swear that the other kind was never in that form. He had not seen any imported here in that state.

Constable Sloggart, of the Water Police, said that he saw the accused at the Circular Quay on the 7th inst. He asked Sue what he was carrying in his basket, and was told that he did not know, but on the basket being opened the tins of opium were found in it. Sue's explanation was that he got the basket from a man at Mosman, who promised him 5s to hand it over to another man. Smith also corroborated Sue's statement, and said that he did not want to take the basket. He was not assisting Sue.

Mr. Abigail submitted that as Smith was not in possession of the opium he should be dismissed.

Charles Clark, or Smith, gave evidence to the effect that he did not at any time touch the basket. He reiterated the statement about meeting the man at Mosman. In answer to Mr. Cohen, witness stated that Sue did not smoke opium.

The case against Clark was dismissed.

Mr. Cohen asked for the maximum penalty. It was difficult, he said, to obtain convictions in Customs cases, and the imposition of a heavy penalty might act as an example. Had the accused got away with the opium he would have obtained about £150.

Mr. Abigail submitted that if the accused were asked to pay the maximum amount allowed by law it would be imposing a financial burden which accused could not possibly bear. He asked the magistrate to treat Sue as a first offender.

Mr. Payten said that it was not in his power to extend the first offenders clause to the accused, whom he fined £78, with the alternative of three months' hard labour.

STEALING FROM SHOPS.

At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Donaldson, S.M., Mary Adams, aged 52, was charged with having stolen a quantity of men's underclothing, valued at 6s, the property of Daniel Brennan, at Newtown, on May 11. The accused admitted after her arrest by Constable Waller that she took the goods from a basket in the doorway. She pleaded guilty, and was fined £2, in default imprisonment for one month.

The accused was further charged with having, on the same day, stolen a hat, a cable bracelet, and one piece of ribbon, of the value of 7s 3d, the property of Charles George Hatte, at Newtown. In this case the goods were also missed from the shop, but no one saw the accused take them. She, however, pleaded guilty, and was fined a further sum of £2, in default imprisonment for one month.

The magistrate remarked that this habit of stealing from shops by women was becoming very common, and he was afraid that the value of the goods thus taken would, in the course of 12 months, amount to a small fortune to some people.

Mary M'Carthy, aged 48, was charged with having stolen a tin of jam and a packet of cocoa, value 7½d, the property of M'Ilraith, Limited, in King-street, Newtown, on May 13. The accused was shopping at the time, and was seen to take the goods from a basket on the floor of the shop. She pleaded guilty. The magistrate said he would, in this case, have to impose a fine which would teach the accused that it would be cheaper to pay for the goods than to steal them. She was fined £1, in default imprisonment for 14 days.

A VIOLENT PRISONER.

At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Donaldson, S.M., William Callander, aged 38, plasterer, was charged with having resisted a constable in the execution of his duty. Accused, who pleaded guilty, had, when arrested, to be carried to the police station, fighting all the way. He was fined £1, in default imprisonment for 14 days. For using bad language on the same occasion, he was fined a further sum of £3, in default imprisonment for six weeks.

CHARGE OF ASSAULT.

At the Central Police Court yesterday, Matthew Olsen, 25, horse-breeder, was fined 5s for being drunk in Elizabeth-street on May 14 last. He was also fined £2, or one month's imprisonment, on a charge of assaulting Constable G. E. Russell whilst in the execution of his duty.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

William Johnson, alias Watkin, or Wilson, 24, shoemaker, was at the Central Police Court yesterday committed for trial on a charge of having at Sydney on April 26 last stolen from the person of John O'Neill a silver watch and chain, valued at £2.

Before Mr. Isaacs, S.M., at the Central Police Court yesterday William Meares, 22, carter, William John Williams, 51, labourer, and James Hyman, 30, dealer, were charged with stealing between January 1 and April 30 last 4000 biscuit tins, valued at £200, the property of William Arnott, Ltd., Thomas-street, Sydney. Accused were each committed for trial at the next Court of Quarter Sessions, bail being allowed.

Robert Henry Bowie, 30, a seaman, was yesterday, at the Water Police Court, charged with stealing jewellery and £27 in money, total value £22 10s, from the person of James Connely, on May 7. He was committed for trial.

ILLTREATING A HORSE.

George Little appeared at the Water Police Summons Court on Tuesday charged with cruelly illtreating a horse. The prosecution was at the instance of the Animals' Protection Society, the secretary of which (Mr. F. M. Rothery) gave evidence to the effect that defendant kicked the horse several times in the belly. Little, who pleaded guilty, was fined 20s, with 3s 6d costs, or in default seven days' gaol.

AMBER BEADS.

The old-time nurse or mother believe[illegible] a string of amber beads tied round the [illegible] neck would protect the child from sore throat. The woman of to-day charms away the baby's cough or sore throat with Dr. Sheldon's New Discovery, for Coughs, Colds, and Consumption, the medicine that is safe and sure. Obtainable everywhere.—Advt.

Unequalled and Invincible for Coughs and Colds—Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 6d.—Advt.

The portraits in this week's "Sydney Mail" are:—The late Mr. John M'Master, the late Rev. Dr. John Watson ("Ian M'Laren"), the late Mr. Henry Hudson, Constable Bowden, Senior-constable Byrne, Constable Kennedy.—Advt.

Bright and Interesting.—The "Sydney Mail" of this week has several Australian and Young Folks' Stories, and other special articles of interest.—Advt.

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ON THE LAND.

FARM AND STATION.

HOME DOCTORING OF ANIMALS.

This interesting question is raised by the receipt of a book "Home Doctoring of Animals" by Harold Leeney, an English veterinary surgeon. The work, which is written in very simple language, endeavours to bring within the reach of farmers a correct diagnosis of all the more common ailments and injuries to which animals are prone, and to prescribe remedies for their relief. The necessity for a book of this kind on every farm where stock are kept is very marked. Of course, it has to be admitted at once that in cases of serious trouble the most skilled amateur vet. is often at fault; but still instances are very common in which an owner with a little knowledge easily acquired from the pages of a practical book could save the lives of valuable animals which would otherwise die, or minimise ailments and the effects of accidents in a very decided degree. Although the rapid improvement in this country in all classes of live stock will lead to better opportunities for veterinary surgeons, yet most districts are to-day without this skilled knowledge of animal treatment. Most centres, it is true, possess very good amateurs who have made a considerable study of the question, and who are usually very unselfish in their efforts to assist others with disabled stock. Some of these local vets. are astonishingly good hands at their business, with the result that they are called upon to neglect a great deal of their own work to attend to that of others. A judicious law very necessarily prevents them accepting fees for this uncertificated skill, and although they are very often not above accepting "presents," and rightly so, still the position is unsatisfactory. Not infrequently a good man gets such a heavy call upon his services with little or no compensation that he is compelled to set his face against all outside calls.

Where it is possible to get the services of an authorised vet. it is wise to leave serious cases in his hands. There are, however, a hundred and one fairly common ailments among animals which any handy man with a little knowledge and a limited medicine chest may treat himself. One procedure is for people to send a crude account of a particular trouble in a pig or a horse or a cow to authorities at a distance, and to ask them for a diagnosis and advice. This, however, is an extremely uncertain method of treating anything, as guessing must always play the leading part. Most of the information thus supplied, too, is hunted up from books on the question, although veterinary surgeons are freely consulted in matters of this sort by this and other journals. A far better method is for every stockowner to equip himself with a good book on animal diseases and injuries. Doubtless this would lead to a good deal of risky experiment, but the danger of accident when an intelligent man had a good book in his hands, and an ailing beast before him, is not nearly so great as when a city man has the book without the beast, or even the accomplished veterinary is prescribing for an animal hundreds of miles away. Such a book as that now under notice would make the way much clearer for any stockowner. It may be read either as part of an education on stock ailments, or bought purely for reference, and it must have a good value even if opened only as trouble arises. It deals with all branches of a difficult question, and in a numerous set of illustrations emphasises many important points. It is difficult to discover an ailment or failing which is not enumerated, and one good feature is its frankness. For instance, on the question of stringhalt, Mr. Leeney writes: "Much ink has been spilled in theorising as to the causation of stringhalt, but nothing is really known about it. What the horse man has to do is, to avoid buying an animal with stringhalt, and, if already in possession of one, not to refuse a good price of a stranger who desires no warranty." A very interesting chapter on the diseases of the digestive system devotes several pages to irregularities of the teeth, and with full illustrations gives a lot of clear advice on the question of age-telling in cattle, horses, sheep, and pigs.

Dairymen will be interested in the author's remarks on udder ailments. "What a trouble," he says, "to the dairy farmer, aye, and to the veterinary surgeon, are these hard bags, causing such serious pecuniary loss to the former, and bringing but little credit to the latter when his best efforts are put forth." Mr. Leeney points out how many are the causes leading to these troubles. Hardships before and after calving are believed to account for very many, but still the best managed farms, with capable milkers, do not altogether escape. Infective mammitis, which is now well proved, is difficult to deal with, but apart from that there are many unsatisfactory cases of swelled udders and lost quarters which cannot be traced to any particular cause. "If," he writes, "I may express an opinion on the cause of garget, I should say that almost all cases are brought about by the entrance into the glands of septic matter through the teat channel. I do not now refer to the specific infection, which is comparatively rare in Great Britain, but common enough on the Continent of Europe. My reason for entertaining this view of common cases of swelled and hard udder is the habitual failing of measures of the usual kind for the reduction of inflammatory swelling, and the large amount of success on the other hand, which attends the early injection of a disinfectant." And further on he writes:—"Mares, sows, and bitches are much less prone to mammitis than cows. They are not usually hand-milked. There are more cases of garget in sheep in those countries where ewes' milk is drawn by hand." For treatment it is recommended a cooling draught should be given as soon as anything is noticed amiss with the udder. The milk or the changed fluid which takes its place should be drawn, and an injection of a suitable disinfectant sent up without delay. There is nothing better than a solution of chinosol (4 per cent.) and glycerine (10 per cent.) with water. This injection may be repeated night and morning, and after each dose the udder should be massaged with a simple emollient such as marsh mallow ointment, spermaceti ointment, or melted lard. "The lastnamed old-fashioned remedy," writes Mr. Leeney, "enables the skin to stretch, and in that way affords considerable relief to the intense swelling. Camphorated oil may be recommended where there is much pain, and should be liberally employed. An embrocation of half soap liniment and half soap water is also suitable. Whatever is selected for this purpose should be of a nature which will bear frequent repetition. In many cases of garget the passage is blocked by morbid products; the discharge being sometimes watery, at others pus-like, or containing granulation. Every effort should be made to get these away by introducing, if necessary, a teat syphon to clear the duct. Early neglect leads sometimes to such a degree of inflammatory action that the whole quarter dies."

As previously pointed out, these home doctoring books have their limitations. When an animal of value is seriously ill or injured and a competent vet. is available, his services should be always called in. Our copy of "Home Doctoring of Animals" comes from Angus and Robertson.

IMPROVING COUNTRY SHOWS.

The show season is in full swing. A long set of country shows figure in the future, covering the balance of the year, and it is an opportune time to consider the best means of effecting improvements. The standard of the bulk of our country shows is not satisfactory, judged either from an educational or financial standpoint, particularly the latter, where the comparative return for an immense amount of labour is so limited as to cause speculation on the advisability of curtailing the number of shows. A great number indeed have had to depend upon the Government subsidy to maintain a painful existence. At the same time, the educational value of these organisations, particularly in the case of modern extensions, depends upon the financial position, for the more money available means the greater opportunity for progress in this respect. The higher side of the organisation is not, however, remunerative. It does not bring a big gate. Yet it is for an educational purpose that these societies originated, and are supported by the State. Therefore, it is desirable that this fundamental object should not give place to a mere policy of public entertainment.

Circumstances and conditions in different localities prevent specific suggestions, but a simple means towards that end, and one not as far as we are aware, adopted to any extent, might be found profitable in the direction desired. It consists of holding a special meeting, a species of court of review, of the committee shortly after the annual exhibition, the business of such a meeting being to consider methods and suggestions for improvement. When a show is in full swing, the attention of those responsible is of a necessity brought in contact with faults and omissions. A mental note is made, to be forgotten before the committee gets into working order the following year, or, even if remembered and mentioned, time probably prevents proper remedy. A meeting, as suggested, a week or two after the show, would find details fresh in the memory, and should have fertile results. Such a method could be supported by inviting suggestions from the public, exhibitors, and judges, all of which could be fully thrashed out by the committee.

ITEMS.

The man who raises pigs is the man who raises the mortgage.

Redwater is prevalent in the Brookfield district (Q.), and is causing severe losses to the farmers.

It is estimated that the total output of dried fruit from Renmark, S.A., will amount this year to nearly 1500 tons, which will be a record.

The S.A. Government Fruit Expert has been given control of 11 acres of land to allow him to make a thorough investigation of the diseases which affect South Australian fruit trees.

The value of the farm animals in the United States amounts to 3,423,657,000doll., of which horses contribute about one-half. The total value of the cattle amounts to 1,500,000,000doll., swine 418,000,000doll., and sheep 204,000,000doll.

An English journal states that the world's consumption of barley has increased, and apparently overtaken production. Early in the season it was estimated that the American crop of barley was largely in excess of requirements. Now it appears the barley has been used up, and the supply in Europe has not been so small in over 20 years.

When fattening calves for veal it is a great mistake to gorge them. Even if fresh milk be used it causes scouring. It is a big advantage to supply buttermilk, together with the fresh milk. A calf fed three times a day will weigh as much at the end of four weeks as one only fed twice a day will at the end of five weeks. Fair limits for an average calf may be put at 16lb per day at the end of the first week, 23lb by the end of the second, 28lb the third, and 30lb by the end of the fourth week. It should weigh about 160lb live weight, giving 96lb of veal, in four weeks if fed thrice daily on new milk.

In order to make it generally known that lessees were liable if they did not comply with the Act, the Wagga Pastures Protection Board proceeded against a holder of leased land on Monday last for failing to destroy rabbits on his property in accordance with the provisions of the P.P. Act. Defendant was fined £2 and costs.

The April returns of the Victorian dairying industry show a falling-off of about 12 per cent. compared with last year in regard to the arrivals of butter from the country districts in Melbourne. Last year the total was 1288 tons; this year it figures out at 1131 tons. This is notwithstanding the fact that the official statistics show an increase of 52,200 dairy cows for the year. The decrease in production is attributed to the dry season and the failure of dairymen to put by portion of the surplus spring growths to carry stock through the autumn and summer, when there is naturally a shortage in every four out of five years. During April 74 tons of New South Wales butter were delivered in Melbourne.

A resident of Berhampore, Mr. E. Bezar (states the N.Z. "Times"), has demonstrated a fact in connection with potato cultivation which is not commonly known, and which suggests an important field for further experiment. This is that the green stalk of a potato plant of, say, two months' growth, if planted under favourable conditions will grow into an independent plant and produce normal tubers. The truth of this has been conclusively demonstrated by Mr. Bezar. On September 19 of last year he planted Up-to-date potatoes. On November 22 he cut several stalks from the plant, and, slightly splitting up the ends, planted them in a shaded spot. The stalks developed in strong plants, and when two of these were lifted in our presence on the 27th of last month one was found to have three good-sized potatoes on it, and the other six smaller tubers.

In the following issue the same journal writes:—The publication of the particulars of a demonstration by a Wellington citizen of the fact that potatoes may be produced from the stalk of a potato plant suggests the possibility that this little-known principle is providing a means whereby potato growers may be victimised. An agricultural scientist has assured us that the people interested in the sale of a new variety emanating from Tasmania have been making use of the principle in order to be able to advertise abnormal yields from their seeds. By planting two stalks of the parent plant (two additional lots of tubers are obtained, which, added to the yield from the original seed, give an abnormal produce compared with that secured from a set under ordinary conditions. The danger we would warn growers of is in purchasing seed which may possibly consist, whole or part, of the product of stalks, which would be very liable to have lessened vitality than seed grown direct from a set, leading to lower productive power and liability to an attack of blight.

Messrs. Hill, Clark, and Co. advise having sold on behalf of Messrs. Charles Best and Co. 50 Lincoln ram lambs to Mr. Thomas Longworth, of Eurimbla, Burren Junction. They arrived by the steamer Perth yesterday.

ORANGES FOR LONDON.

THE PROPOSED SHIPMENT.

GOOD RETURNS EXPECTED.

The proposed shipment of 4500 cases of citrus fruits to London from Sydney was discussed at a meeting of fruitgrowers and agents yesterday afternoon at the Fruit Exchange. Mr. A. B. Chave presided. It was stated that it was intended to send the consignment, which would be made up mostly of oranges, with a small proportion of lemons, by the R.M.S. Orotava, on June 29. There will be a prolific crop of oranges this season, and probably prices locally would be very low. A large quantity of the yield will be available for export, and as the consignment will reach London at the best time for exporters, namely, when the market there was bare of citrus fruits, the prospects of good returns were regarded as very bright. Fruitgrowers, however, have not made much of a response when called upon to assist the movement. In the past, some of the consignments of citrus fruits to England have been failures, and others have given good financial returns. When the fruit was landed in good condition, the shippers have realised up to 18s for a case of about 150 oranges. There were occasions when the fruit was spoiled when taken off the ship. The A. F. and P. Company will make all the shipping arrangements, and the cases will be practically what are known as the bushel size, as they will hold 150 oranges 2¼in in diameter. It is desired that only clean fruit of the best quality, and graded so as to have no variation in size in a case, should be sent. When clipped, the fruit, it was recommended, should be showing the ripening colour, in preference to being on the green side. To comply with the Commerce Act, the cases must be branded with the grower's name, in full, and marked, "New South Wales, Australia." The contents of each case must also be stated. The freight charge will be 65s per ton, equal to 3s 1d per case. The shippers can have the fruit, which will be inspected here, sent to any agents they desire in London. The cost of the cases will be 9d each. The opinion was expressed that the temperature in the steamer's cool chamber should be maintained at from 40 to 45 degrees. The packing, wrapping of each orange with wax paper, and stowing on the ship are to be carried out carefully. This precaution, it was considered necessary, as one agent, who spent a day on a wharf watching the shipping of fruit, said he saw some cases knocked about on the wharf as if they were merely old boots. The grower will be charged 3d per case. Messrs. R. Alderson (representing the A. F. and P. Co.), Bruce Purser, Chave, Price, Charley, and others supported the export proposal, which originated with the Fruitgrowers' Union. One grower considered that New South Wales would be laughed at by people in England if its fruitgrowers did not make up the minimum quantity, 4500 cases, which the shipping company required. "With a bare market the fruit should average 11s to 13s a case," was the opinion expressed by one grower, while everyone appeared to view the proposal with favour.

THE SEASON.

BOGAN GATE.

The weather continues very dry throughout the whole district, and the shortage of grass is being keenly felt. Large numbers of cattle and sheep have already been removed to better parts, but even with this relief the lambing will be very poor.

BOWRAL.

It is generally anticipated that the winter in this district will be a hard one for men on the land, and some farmers are making provision for their stock by purchasing truck-loads of bran. In a few instances hand-feeding of cattle has already commenced. The general run of the oat crops is very poor.

CARCOAR.

The outlook for stock during the winter is not at all promising in this district. There is certainly fair pasturage on some holdings, but in most cases it is enough to carry stock through the cold months. The rainfall lately has been altogether inadequate to cause a sufficient growth of grass for winter requirements, and whatever rain may fall during the next few months will be of little assistance to the pastures unless unusually mild weather prevails. Some of the district stockowners are looking forward to the prospect of hand-feeding, and several are even now making preparations for this contingency. A considerable area in the district is being ploughed this season, but owing to the hardness of the ground, comparatively little new land is being broken. The potato crops are yielding well.

CANOWINDRA.

The agricultural and pastoral outlook in this district is at present very threatening, and land-holders, both large and small, are feeling the stress. Ploughing for wheat and oats has been going forward slowly and with difficulty for the past two months, but few paddocks have as yet been sown, owing to the fact that sufficient moisture remained in the ground to germinate the grain, but not to keep it going, with the result that unless rain fell almost immediately the seed and labour would be wasted, and another sowing necessitated. Sowing, generally, will commence with the first fall of rain. There is, however, plenty of time in this district for the sowing both of wheat and oats, providing good rain falls during either this or next month. The greatest trouble in the district at present is in the scarcity of grass in every direction, and the fact that notwithstanding the lessons of thrift taught by the 1902 drought few farmers made any effort to conserve sufficient fodder to carry them over a bad time. Feed for stock is very scarce, and both sheep and cattle are dying in hundreds. What promised to be a most prolific early lambing is likely now to be quite the reverse, owing to the fact that in many cases the ewes are leaving their progeny, and in others the lambs are being killed in order that their life may not reduce the condition of the mothers. Foxes, too, are killing the lambs immediately the little things are deserted by the ewe. Numbers of stock are being taken from the district to other pasturage, but a great number of owners are keeping them going as best they can in the hope that rain will fall shortly, when within a week there will be good sheep feed. Almost all stock are now on the river flats, where there is a good growth of thistles, but are dying in many instances from what is known as thistle poisoning—this trouble carrying exactly the same symptoms as poisoning by salt. There is little fodder in the district. Both hay and straw are at a premium, and the outlook for stock particularly is gloomy unless rain falls within the next week or so. The hand-feeding of sheep is just commencing.

COBAR.

The state of the pastures in this district is very bad. On a number of holdings the rabbits have practically possession, or nearly so, and on others it is only by dint of great exertions that they are able to keep their stock alive. Hand-feeding has not been resorted to as yet, the experiment of last drought having proved almost a failure, except in a few instances. Some stations are feeding their horses, and others are moving their stock to wherever they can procure agistment. Applications are coming nearly every day to the stock and station agents inquiring what agistment they have on their books.

DUBBO.

Should there be no rain within the next fortnight, the prospects for the coming winter and following season will be far from encouraging. Owing to the protracted dry weather the ground in most districts around Dubbo is very hard, and ploughing is being very much retarded. No official figures are yet available as to the area likely to be put under crop this year, but Mr. R. G. Dulhunty, as the result of his observations, estimates a very considerable reduction, probably a third less at least than last year. Owing to the scarcity of feed the lambing ewes generally are in a poor condition, and out of 75 or 80 per cent. likely to be dropped not more than 50 per cent. are expected to be marked. He does not think from his observations that hand-feeding the sheep will be followed to any extent. This depletion in the pastures is attributed to grasshoppers, which are now coming to be regarded as a more serious menace to holders of land than even the rabbits. The stock inspector considers that poisoning the birds that usually keep the insects in check, is to blame for the increase of the grasshoppers this season. He has noted that nearly all the holdings are wire-netted, and that all will be so in a couple of years; rabbits will then be kept within bounds, and then the grasshopper plague will have to be reckoned with. He also mentions as an instance of the way these pests work, that while two properties he visited had been quite cleared of grass and herbage by the grasshoppers, there was an area of country lying between them wholly untouched, and where umbrella grass was up to the sheep's knees.

LEADVILLE.

Unless a good fall of rain is soon received here, the outlook for the winter will be very unfavourable, as feed is exceedingly scarce through the whole district. Some pastoralists have been fortunate enough to secure grass country in the more favoured districts, and they are now busy moving their stock away. Others, who have omitted to take this precaution, will be compelled to commence hand-feeding in the course of a week or so. Where kurrajong is to be obtained it is being felled for stock. The lambing season is now well on, and ewes are dying fast. In some cases, it is feared that the lambs will have to be killed to save the mothers. The water-supply is also giving out on some of the runs, and tanks and dams generally are drying up very fast. Rabbits are fast decreasing in numbers, and dying in some places from no apparent cause, "unless it would be for want of young grass." A flock of 5000 sheep, en route from Forbes to Oban, Coolah, are now passing through the district, and as the travelling stock routes are bare of grass, the owner, Mr. M'Master, is forwarding waggon loads of lucerne hay from Oban, to feed them on, along the route. Water can only be obtained for them at stages of 10 and 12 miles apart. It is feared that this season will be as bad here as that of 1902.

NARRABRI.

Anxiety at the present protracted spell of dry weather is gradually growing, and though there is abundance of fodder (the greater portion of which is becoming dry), pastoralists and farmers are becoming just a little uneasy. To ensure the crops being satisfactory, rain in the very near future is absolutely necessary. The temperature is considerably lower than it was at this time last winter, and unless we have rain to ensure sustenance for the stock throughout the winter, they will suffer considerably in consequence of the cold weather, which never fails to "cut them up," even in the most prolific seasons. Among the woolgrowers the lambing percentage this season has been particularly large, the records up to date being considerably over 100 per cent.

CUMBERLAND ORCHARDS.

AND THE GOVERNMENT.

Mr. F. A. Nicholson, president of the Glenorie branch of the New South Wales Fruitgrowers' Association, writes:—Just a few lines in reply to "Geebung" in your issue of the 9th inst. As one of the representatives of the Glenorie branch of the New South Wales Fruitgrowers' Union, at the executive council meeting (not Parramatta Union, as described by "Geebung") on the 4th, I had the honour of moving the resolutions re appointment of inspectors under the new Fruit Pests Bill, which has stirred your correspondent to such a tirade of abuse of the union. If "Geebung" is a grower of fruit, why not join the union, and help to make it more representative. My branch has always been in favour of the local inspector, and now the Government has appointed inspectors, we are moving for sub-inspectors under them. I quite agree with "Geebung" that the Government is not giving the growers nearly enough of the Act. I am convinced that nothing but a vigorous enforcement of the Act will do any good. And I ask who is better qualified for the work of inspection than a local man who knows every orchard and every kind of fruit grown in his small district, and surely we can find some men in every district who are doing their best to keep down the pest mentioned in the Act, and who would undertake the work of inspection, not for the sake of the billet, as "Geebung" suggests, but to see that the few neglectful growers are made to do their share in the work of eradication.

What is the use of one man doing his best to pick up and destroy fallen fruit when his neighbour over the fence sends his sound fruit to market and lets the infected fruit lie to breed another batch of fly or moth? And no amount of market inspection will make some growers destroy fallen fruit. Also, an inspector unacquainted with the locality would hardly discover some of the orchards. It is very gratifying that the Government has since "Geebung's" letter appointed a leading Cumberland grower as inspector. It is surely not too much to expect them to further adopt the principle of local inspection before the next crop of summer fruit comes on. "Geebung" does not condemn the other recommendation, that condemned fruit at the markets be destroyed, not carted out to the tip, which was passed at the meeting. I am glad the executive of the union has been able to pass one resolution at least that your correspondent does not condemn, even if he does not approve of it. I wonder "Geebung" did not say that this was another move to create billets. As a supporter of the motion for the establishment of an experimental orchard and nursery I would just ask "Geebung" what the Government has done for the fruitgrowers in the way of introducing new varieties of fruit (especially citrus), also experimenting with different manures over a lengthy period compared with what it has done for the wheat-grower. "Geebung's" proposed solution of the problem is amusing, and worthy of a city agriculturist. I am not aware that all school masters in the fruit-growing area have either time or the necessary knowledge to teach the children the art of fruit-growing.

CONVERSION OF LEASES.

Mr. P. J. M'Mahon, Nambucca River, writes:—The small farmers throughout the State like myself will be glad that the Premier has pledged his party to see the bill now before Parliament passed into law, giving homestead selectors the right to convert their selections into freeholds. I find, through my connection with many of the farmers' unions throughout this State that it is very much regretted that Mr. Ashton has finally made up his mind to leave the Lands Department, as he has gained the confidence of small settlers throughout the State, and as he brought the above measure up near to the second reading in the last Parliament they feel sure he won't desert them until he sees the bill become law early in the next session.

In my district on the North Coast farmers have spent their all in the way of improvements on their homestead selections, bringing them up to a producing stage. They now want money to buy cows. The Government Bank will do no more than the private institutions; therefore, unless we get the right to convert into freeholds, our district will be much retarded.

The general opinion is that the homestead leasing should remain law, thereby giving every poor man like myself the chance to make a start, and as we get on allowing us the right to obtain the freehold. This is where the Labour party will meet with a strong, silent opposition from the small settlers. We must have our homes free to call our own. Leasing should only be of a temporary or tentative nature. Therefore we hope that Mr. Ashton will make this measure one of his last gifts to the strugglers on the land, in behalf of himself and the party he belongs to, before leaving office.

FODDER IN SUSSEX-STREET.

Prescott, Limited, write:—We were surprised to read your article on "Sussex-street and Fodder," under the heading of "On the Land," in your edition of date, and we consider it grossly unfair and most uncalled for. Although the writer of the article may not be aware, the business of Sussex-street is conducted on the same basis of supply and demand as business in any other part of the world. We would consequently suggest that you put alongside your comparison of prices a comparison of the supplies of the various lines coming to the Sydney market during the months ending April 13 and May 13. We think they would be found, in almost all cases, considerably less during the latter month. This, and the abnormal demand, as instanced in your own columns, and nothing else, accounts for the enhanced values of fodder.

[The point made in the article referred to was that many Sussex-street agents combine dealing with commission work. Will Prescott, Limited, deny this? Also will they express an opinion as to whether they consider it is legitimate? And they might also say whether or not it is a fact that fortunes were made by Sussex-street agents by dealing in fodder during the great drought of five or six years ago.]

LAND SELECTED.

The following statement shows the lands selected under the Crown Lands Acts during the period January 1 to May 8, 1907:—

	From Jan. 1 to May 8, 1907. No. of Applicants.	Area. Acres.	During week ended May 8, 1907. No. of Applicants.	Area. Acres.
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Conditional purchase leases	100	79,581	1	201
Original conditional purchases	537	66,080	46	6,086
Conditional leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these c.c.ps.	(294)	111,745	(20)	11,507
Original homestead selections	53	14,498	6	1,015
Original settlement leases	41	132,332	3	7,835
Settlement purchases	188	90,701	3	1,419
Total of new settlers	919	515,557	59	28,663
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Additional conditional purchases (of Crown lands)	464	63,653	18	3,045
Additional conditional leases	570	163,090	31	11,851
Additional homestead selections	33	9,393	1	40
Additional settlement leases	23	29,263	—	—
Totals	1,080	265,318	52	14,936

POISONING FOXES.

CARCOAR, Wednesday.

An employee on Errowanbang station reports having poisoned a fox by putting strychnine into the carcase of a skinned rabbit. The bait was left near the haunts of the fox, and next morning his dead body was found close by. This is worth noting, proving as it does that foxes, which are very numerous in this district, may be destroyed by poison being placed in the portions of a skinned rabbit which they will not touch if the rabbit is unskinned.

QUEENSLAND WOOL COMES SOUTH.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

It has been reported to the Commissioner for Railways that a quantity of wool—about 2000 bales—was recently sent from the St. George district to Moree, New South Wales, for conveyance by rail to Newcastle. The distance by road to Yuelba on the one hand, and to Moree on the other, is about the same, but the rate for the conveyance of the wool by railway to port is less in Queensland than in New South Wales. The reason given for this Queensland traffic being sent over the New South Wales lines is that the road tariff to Yuelba was considerably higher than to Moree, although the carrier was the same. In one case (Moree) the carrier would be going home, and no doubt be would be moved to quote less on that account.

RABBIT EXPORT TRADE.

QUEANBEYAN.—As an instance of the large number of rabbits brought to the railway station for export, one trapper last week delivered 798 pairs in one load. Trappers are said to be making a good thing this season.

MEETINGS OF FARMERS.

WAGGA.—At a meeting of the Brooking Farmers' Union, a letter was received from Mr. R. Ball, M.L.A., stating that action was being expected with regard to certain reserves in the parishes of Morundah and Clyde, and two reserves in the parish of Wood, county of Mitchell, and the official reports will shortly be made as to their suitability for closer settlement. Mr. G. Cornell reported that he had inspected the land at Cullivel, comprising 350 acres, proposed to be exchanged by the Brookong Company, and he stated that in his opinion the land to be received by the Crown was, if anything, the more valuable, and better suited for closer settlement.

THE BEST FOOD FOR CHILDREN



PETER LEWIS ROSS,
aged 3½ years, son of Mrs. Ross, 41 Edwin-street, Croydon.
Brought up on Arnott's Milk Arrowroot Biscuits.

WHY
ARNOTT'S MILK ARROWROOT BISCUITS
ARE SO POPULAR.

The popularity of Arnott's Milk Arrowroot Biscuits rests upon their proved action in nourishing and sustaining children of all ages, even when all other artificial foods have failed. Their value has been proved in many thousands of cases, and has been testified to by numberless mothers who have voluntarily written from all parts of our States to Messrs. William Arnott, Limited, at Newcastle. Upwards of 7000 portraits of children who owe their health and strength to these biscuits, have been received at the Newcastle Factory, and all statements made by the parents have been carefully verified by agents specially engaged for the purpose. The greatest care is taken in the mixing and baking of the biscuits, and only the purest and best materials are used in their manufacture. The milk used is obtained solely from the Messrs. Arnott's model dairy farm of several thousands of acres, where only the choicest cows are kept under the strictest sanitary conditions. Nothing, in fact, is left undone to make these biscuits the best on the market. Every mother desirous of seeing her little ones grow up strong and healthy should persistently use these biscuits for their food.

ARNOTT'S MILK ARROWROOT BISCUITS.

DAIRYING.

BEGA.—For the month of April the West End Creamery Company manufactured 45,921lb butter, about 20½ tons, which realised in the gross £2925. Suppliers were paid net cheques amounting to £1676. Cost of manufacture, marketing, etc., amounted to £249, or 1.3d per lb.

BOWRAL.—The half-yearly meeting of shareholders of the Kangaloon Dairy Company, Limited, was held last week, Mr. A. Knox presiding. The report showed that during the six months ended March 31 the company received 189,560lb of cream and 128,290 gallons of milk. The cream produced 83,216lb butter, and the milk 54,995lb, making the total output of butter 138,211lb, which was sold at an average price of 10.49d per lb, suppliers receiving an average price of 9½d per lb for commercial butter, and 10.45d for butter-fat. The whole of the butter manufactured commanded top market price, and that graded by the Government for export was classed as "superfine." The balance-sheet showed that the overdraft, caused by the erection of the refrigerating plant, had been reduced by £91, and now stood at £579. The total income was £6248 7s 8d (including £5025 for butter sold in Sydney, and £101 for local butter sales), and the expenditure £6157 0s 6d (including £3274 paid for the purchase of cream and £2129 for purchase of milk). The report and balance-sheet were unanimously adopted.

CASINO.—For the four weeks ended April 27 the Casino factory turned out 48 tons of butter. Suppliers were paid 8½d for first, and 7½d for second quality.

MURWILLUMBAH.—The Tweed River Co-operative Butter Company paid 9d per lb for A1 butter for the month of April, and 1d less for second-class, of which there was only ½ per cent. There was a considerable falling off in the cream supply, compared with the previous month.

DISTRICT ITEMS.

CASINO.—A rough statement of the late show discloses a small surplus. The sum of £778 was passed for payment for prize-money and expenses.

GLEN INNES.—As a result of the good rains which fell during the early autumn there is a plentiful supply of grass and water, and the outlook for the winter is very satisfactory. Both cattle and sheep are in splendid condition, and it is not anticipated that there will be any necessity for hand-feeding. Ploughing operations have been in full swing for some time, but the climatic conditions will not permit of early crops.

NARRABRI.—The demand for land in and around this district is still very great, and doubtless the auction of the Killarney blocks in June next will be attended with keen competition. Only 6000 acres have been surveyed for sale, but the general hope of the community is that this preliminary sale is only the thin end of the wedge, which will ultimately bring about the distribution of the whole of this magnificent estate. With the acquirement of the Killarney or Edgeroi lands lies the future success of the district.

PEAK HILL.—The local council has decided to increase the rates on vacant blocks in the main streets, which are regarded as a menace to the progress of the township. It has also been decided to hold a special meeting to discuss the advisability of erecting new municipal chambers. Chaff is advancing rapidly in price, and is now quoted at £5 per ton. Farmers refuse £5 per ton for hay at the stack.

AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

WALGETT, Wednesday.

The Walgett P. and A. Association show was opened to-day in fine weather, and notwithstanding that many of the principal sections were sparse of entries, there was a very large attendance. This being the premier district of the State for wool produce, in point of both quantity and quality, it was unfortunate for the prestige of the district that the sheep section should be almost void of interest, there being, out of seven entries, only one exhibitor. Prizes will not be awarded until to-morrow.

SILVER CITY SHOW.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

The annual Silver City show was held today in fine weather, and in the presence of about 5000 people. The stock and vegetable sections of the exhibition were poorly patronised, but the horses, dogs, poultry, and pigeons provided a brave display. The high jump prize was divided between Skyscraper and Freeker, each clearing 5ft 9in. W. Murray was awarded first prize for thoroughbred mare, and Crossing Brothers and J. Grose were given first prizes for pony stallions. J. Hill and Co. won the four-in-hand prize, and Dr. Macgillivray secured the award for buggy horse, while Block 10 Company secured the award for buggy pair. Miss E. Baten was adjudged the best lady rider.

MOLONG.

MOLONG, Wednesday.

The annual show was formally opened by the Premier to-day.

Mr. Carruthers, in course of a speech, said the great task the Government had to-day was to find land for our own people. His Government had not been idle. They required a larger population, and they said to the owners of large estates that though they had done great work as pioneers, they must stand aside in the interests of closer settlement. The Government intended to appoint a Royal Commission, who would make a report as to the estates and Crown land in the districts within the rainfall area of nineteen inches, and within 20 miles of large towns or railways. The owners would be afforded an opportunity of allowing the Government to subdivide or of subdividing themselves, but one or the other must be done. The Government intended to reduce railway fares in country districts, losing £100,000 revenue in this direction, making a total reduction in fares and freights agreed upon of £350,000.

Mr. Waddell, Chief Secretary, said the greatest work any Government could do was to unlock the lands of the State. He also spoke in support of a State Bank.

Following are the principal awards so far announced:—

Blood stallion, any age: Major Smith. Blood mare, with foal at foot: W. Stacey. Filly, 2yrs: Major Smith. Filly, 1yr and under 3: Major Smith. Filly, 1yr and under 2: Major Smith. Pony stallion, under 14 hands: A. Mutton. Blood mare: G. Bruce.

Draught stallion, any age: M. J. Dalton. Gelding, 3yrs and over: H. W. Bradley. Stallion, 2yrs and under 3: T. Brown. Stallion, 1yr and under 2: H. C. Betts. Mare and foal: H. A. Watts. Filly, 2yrs and under 3: Dumble Estate. Filly, 1yr and under 2: E. Evers. Foal: H. A. Watts. Mare, owned by farmer: W. Butter. Three farm horses: James Lee and Co. Four farm horses: Roland Gavin. Mare, bred by exhibitor: W. Ruster. Mare and foal: H. A. Watts. Pony, 14 hands and under: H. C. Betts. Pony, 12 hands and under: J. S. Parker. Pony, 14 hands and under, ridden by girl: W. Hillan. Pony, 12 hands and under, ridden by girl: J. S. Parker. Gent.'s light hack: L. M. Smith. Lady's hack: L. M. Smith. Pair of buggy horses: W. Hyland. Hack, weight carrier: W. R. Chappel. Buggy horse or mare: Dr. Reiach. Sulky horse or mare: R. H. Keenan. Lorry horse or mare: Mutton Bros. Pony, 14 hands and under, in harness: R. H. Keenan. Pair of ponies, 14 hands: H. C. Betts. Family turnout: W. Hyland. Springcart horse: J. Lee and Co. Farmer's hack: C. Taylor. Sulky turnout: R. H. Keenan. Pair of ponies in harness: E. Staggs. Pony, under 13 hands: W. Hillan. Girl rider: Miss A. Glasson. Amateur lady rider: Mrs. F. Brasier. Lady rider: Miss L. Cousins. Handicap trot: T. Bruton. High jumper: A. E. Sharpe. Hunter: A. E. Sharpe. Pony hunter: R. W. Chappell.

Durham cow: G. Bruce. Bull: G. Eggleston. Fat bullock: J. T. Parslow. Fat cow: G. Bruce. Pen of two dairy cows: G. Packham. Cow giving most milk: J. Neville. Highest test dairy cow: W. Neville.

Merinos.—Ram, 6-tooth: R. Glasson. Ram, 4-tooth: J. Lee and Co. Ram, 2-tooth: Mrs. R. Glasson. Ram, under 2-tooth: Mrs. J. F. Glasson. Ewe, 6-tooth: R. Carroll. Ewe, 4-tooth: G. Bruce. Ewe, 2-tooth: Mrs. T. R. Glasson. Champion ram: B. Carroll. Champion ewe: Mrs. F. R. Glasson. For small holders.—Ram, 6-tooth: E. Thompson. Ram, 2-tooth: B. Carroll. Ram, under 2-tooth: B. Carroll. Ewe, 4-tooth and under: E. Thompson. Ewe, 2-tooth: B. Carroll. Ewe, under 2-tooth: B. Carroll. Champion ram: E. Thompson. Champion ewe: B. Carroll. Fine-woolled ram: E. Thompson. Three fat wethers: H. C. Betts. Three fat ewes: H. C. Betts. Lincoln ram: H. C. Betts. Five fat crossbred lambs: R. Gavin.

Pigs.—George Neville took most of the prizes.

Wheat: C. H. Bruton. Large maize in cob: J. Peck. Small maize in cob: J. Black. Oaten hay: James Watt. Lucerne hay: H. C. Betts. Wheaten hay and oaten chaff: James Watt. Skinless barley: J. T. Parslow. Collection of farm produce: James Watt.

Dairy Produce.—Butter: Mrs. C. Seyron. Side of bacon: Orange Co-operative Company.

Vegetables.—Principal awards: James Watt, F. Shreever, J. M'Groder, P. Borgin, and J. T. Parslow.

Fruit.—Principal awards: C. H. Packham, H. A. Bennett, J. H. Haynes, J. Peck, and J. Watt.

Poultry.—Principal awards: W. T. Sherringham, Joseph Wells, P. F. A. Kinna, and J. Spratt.

STOCK MOVEMENTS.

WAGGA.—3000 ewe weaners and wethers, H. and T. Stewart, Strathmore to Rye Park, via Old Junee; 900 fat wethers, Davidson Brothers, Bullenbong to Flemington; 1347 wethers, John Condin, Towarra to Omeo (Vic.), via Rock and Hawksview; 3000 mixed weaners, F. J. Gorman, Cowabbie to Berrigan, via Matong; 800 mixed weaners, Ernest Miller, Narraburra to Nyngan; 500 mixed weaners, Grubben to Albury; 2200 wethers, E. and W. Naughton, Borambola to Wodonga; 320 mixed cattle, G. G. Wells, Big Springs to Wodonga; and 800 mixed weaners, D. Byrnes, Wagga to Mount Peter.

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.

WALLSEND TO WEST WALLSEND TRAMWAY.

The Standing Committee on Public Works yesterday adopted their report to the Legislative Assembly on the tramway from Wallsend to West Wallsend. The report is based on the resolution passed by the committee to the effect that the proposed tramway be carried out, with an alteration in the route, by which the line will branch off the existing tramway in John-street, Plattsburg, and curving into Nelson-street continue along Nelson-street to Kemp-street, and thence along that street on the west side of and close to the Newcastle-Wallsend Coal Company's railway to a point about 20 chains from Nelson-street, where it will cross the railway and proceed by the surveyed route to West Wallsend. The report will be laid upon the table of the Legislative Assembly directly Parliament meets.

DRUMMOYNE TO EPPING TRAMWAY.

Mr. E. W. O'Sullivan, M.L.A., gave evidence relating to his turning the first sod of a tramway to the Field of Mars while he was Minister for Works, and also generally with regard to tramway connection between the Field of Mars and Sydney. He expressed himself as strongly of opinion that the promise that a tramway should be extended to the district should be carried out, and said that the tramline to Drummoyne had always been considered by him as the first section of a line to the Field of Mars. He thought also that the Pyrmont and Glebe Island bridges should be utilised for tramway purposes, and said that that must come sooner or later. The committee adjourned till next day.

ENGINEERING SECTION OF ROYAL SOCIETY.

UNIFICATION OF RAILWAY GAUGES.

The annual general meeting of the engineering section of the Royal Society of New South Wales was held at the rooms of the society last evening. Mr. J. Haydon Cardew, the retiring chairman, presided. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Chairman, Mr. T. W. Keele; hon. secretary, Mr. W. E. Cook; committee, Messrs. H. G. M'Kinney, J. M. Small, T. H. Houghton, G. R. Cowdery, Norman Selfe, J. I. Haycroft, R. T. M'Kay, F. M. Gummow, and Algernon Peake.

Mr. Cardew delivered an interesting address, entitled "The Engineering Development in Relation to some Australian Problems." He dwelt at some length on the evils attending the breaks of railway gauge in the States, as well from the point of view of economic railway management, also from the commercial, postal, and military points of view, and strongly urged the laying down of a third rail on the 5ft 3in tracks between Adelaide and Albury to create with the 5ft 3in another track of 4ft 8½in, so that the trains of the standard gauge might run through from Adelaide to the Queensland border, whereby over 24 hours would be saved in the journey. Ten years ago Mr. C. O. Burge, M.I.C.E., in an address dealing with gauge unification, advocated the introduction of the third rail, stating he was convinced that in mixed gauges lay the solution of the break of gauge question.

Mr. Cardew then referred to the magnificent material available in Australian youths for the training of high-class engineers and the splendidly endowed University at hand for the purpose of affording that training. In the near future Australia would need many engineers for the proper development of such a huge territory. Municipal engineering, he considered, would entail a great demand upon engineering staffs within the next few years. He concluded his address with reference to "Sanitation," "Greater Sydney," "Irrigation and Water Conservation."

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The original of the above testimonial is on file in the office of the Potter Drug and Chemical Corporation. Reference: R. Towns and Co., Merchants, Sydney, N.S.W.—Advt.

All those interested in football should read the notes by "Wanderer" in the "Sydney Mail" each week.—Advt.

THE STRUGGLE FOR EXISTENCE.

LECTURE BY MR. JUSTICE HIGGINS.

Mr. Justice Higgins delivered a lecture last night at the Chatswood Town Hall entitled, "Struggle for Existence." Mr. Kilgour (headmaster of the Fort-street School) presided, and there was a number of prominent gentlemen on the platform connected with the local School of Arts, as well as Mr. C. G. Wade (State Attorney-General) and the Mayor of Willoughby.

Mr. Higgins said that life was essentially a struggle for existence, an unholy struggle in which the stronger overcame the weaker in commerce and industry. It ended in the survival of the fittest. If the starvation and slavery and exploitation of the great masses of the people were essential to human life and progress, they ought to face the fact, and thus save a lot of trouble. For if behind all the gloss and varnish of civilisation there must remain the slow starvation of multitudes, the oppression of the weak by the strong, a system of making gain at the expense of the health and lifeblood of their fellow-men, then of what use was any attempt to work or legislate for the protection of the masses? They did not thereby lessen the sum of human misery, but merely prolonged life that had better be ruthlessly crushed. If the old philosophers were right, their hopes were converted into despair, their Arbitration Act and Factory Act useless, and the efforts of the Labour party unmeaning and silly. All this was very sad, and their hearts were wrung when they thought of the slum children growing up without adequate clothing or food. The misery of starvation of the slum children was not due to struggles with other children, as the parents with other parents, but to adverse economic conditions. The practice, however, should not be to fight for existence, but to live in peace. The struggle for existence was real, necessarily incidental to their life, and was mainly a struggle against facts and forms outside the species, and that life was not a cruel struggle of one against the other for food. He admitted there were bitter struggles between men for commercial or industrial supremacy, and the struggle was more bitter to-day than in the past. Rockefeller still used his millions to crush his weaker competitor. The struggle for wealth had no limit. Greed was due in many cases to terrors of poverty, and because men hungered for power. It was said that men would not work hard without the hope of accumulated wealth. But there were more who toiled for need than for greed, with a desire for fame and the approval of their fellow-men. With modern processes there was enough clothing produced for all wants; in fact, enough if the want was much greater. The masses were never so well clothed as they were now, nor so well fed. Poverty was owing to man's own acts and defective social organisations. Legislative interference was designed for the benefit of the masses, on the principle of mutual aid.

At the conclusion of his lecture, Mr. Justice Higgins was, on the motion of Mr. C. G. Wade, accorded a hearty vote of thanks.

SHIRE COUNCILS.

BRAIDWOOD.—The Lands Department has notified that bona-fide employees of the council may obtain timber and other road materials from Crown lands without paying the usual license fees. The council has decided to co-operate with the Canobias shire in urging legislation to prohibit boys under 14 carrying or using pea rifles. The balance to credit on May 1 was reported at £1221.

LYNDHURST.—The council resolved to co-operate with Canobias in urging the Government to bring in legislation to prevent the use of pea rifles and firearms by boys under 14; also to request the Under-Secretary for Works to cause star thistle and Bathurst burr to be declared noxious weeds.

MITCHELL.—Regarding the complaints in reference to traction engines, the department has intimated that the new ordinances compel enginedrivers to stay their progress when horses become restive. The shire engineer has reported that not less than £1105 would have to be spent on the principal roads of the shire each year. Almost an equal sum is required for minor roads and bridges.

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The Aquatic Notes in the "Sydney Mail" by "Trident" never lose interest week by week. The author is always well informed on important matches, and his remarks this week are full of interest.—Advt.

The "Sydney Mail" of this week has several pages devoted to country shows. Those illustrated are Coonamble and Narromine.—Advt.

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GOLDEN WEDDING.

PEACOCK—MORRIS.—May 11, 1857, at Hartley, by the Rev. John Troughton, James Edwin Peacock, of Rosedale, to Elizabeth Morris, of Mt. Clarence. Present address, Combogolong Station, Coonamble.

DEATHS.

CHIN.—May 15, 1907, at Church-street, Parramatta, Mrs. Benjamin Chin, senr., late of No. 2 Cary-street, Leichhardt. Inserted by her youngest daughter, Nurse J. Graser.

CORKRAN.—May 15, at Coast Hospital, Constance R. Corkran, aged 5 years and 11 months.

COYNE.—May 14, 1907, at his parents' residence, 57 Alexander-street, Alexandria, Edward, only and beloved child of Edward and Florence Coyne, aged 10 years and 1 month. R.I.P.

DUNN.—May 15, 1907, at his late residence, No. 4 Dowling street, Redfern, Christopher Dunn, native of Meath, Ireland, aged 73 years. R.I.P.

FOSTER.—May 14, at Sydney, John Schofield Foster, late of Orange and Girilambone, aged 74 years.

HOOD.—May 15, 1907, at her late residence, Harton, Clifton-street, Balmain, Emily A., dearly beloved wife of Samuel John Hood, aged 34 years. Interstate papers please copy.

LONGMUIR.—May 15, 1907, at his daughter's residence, No. 35 Rowley-street, Alexandria, Alexander Longmuir, aged 88 years, son of the late David Longmuir, City Surveyor, Aberdeen, Scotland.

PRATT.—May 15, at Lismore, New South Wales, Fanny Webb, the dearly loved wife of Phillip H. Pratt, and second daughter of the late W. H. Wood, of Balmain, aged 54 years.

SMITH.—May 14, 1907, at their residence, 45 Silver-street, St. Peters, Allan Cameron, dearly beloved infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Smith, aged 4 months and 15 days.

SMITHERS.—May 15, 1907, at Sacred Heart Hospice, Darlinghurst, James Smithers, of 39 Railway-street, Petersham, formerly of Manly, aged 64 years. (Third son of the late John B. and Annie Smithers.)

WHITE.—May 15, Charles White, of Monkarlowe, Braidwood, brother of Messrs. H. White, Petersham; A. White, Leichhardt; H. White, Bexley; and Mrs. H. M. Anderson, Camperdown, accidentally killed.

IN MEMORIAM.

BOGDAN.—In sad but loving memory of our dear mother, Caroline Bogdan, who departed this life May 16, 1906, aged 52 years. Inserted by her affectionate daughter and son-in-law, Ethel and Jack Carpenter, and grandchildren, Jack and Elsie and Jim M'Coullough.

CALNAN.—In loving memory of our dear wife and mother, Susan Calnan, who departed this life May 16, 1902. Inserted by her loving husband, William, and children, Mary, Michael, and Daniel.

COLQUHOUN.—In sad but loving memory of my dearly beloved father and our grandfather, Alexander, who departed this life May 16, 1906. Inserted by his loving daughter and grandchildren, Mrs. W. Hale and family.

ELLIOTT.—In memory of our dear mother, Ann Elliott, who departed this life May 16, 1905. Sadly missed. Inserted by her sorrowing children, Maud, Rose, and Bertie.

In ever sad and loving memory of my dearly beloved mother, who died May 16, 1902. At rest. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Olive and Ernest Glasgow.

MOLAN.—In loving memory of Elizabeth Mary, the dearly loved daughter of William and Emily Molan, who departed this life May 16, 1906, aged 6 months.

MOYMOW.—In loving memory of my dear son and our dear brother, John Alfred Moymow, who departed this life May 16, 1905, at Rex Leigh, Tennyson. Inserted by his loving mother, sisters, and brothers.

PETERS.—In loving memory of Edwin, dearly beloved husband of Ethel Peters, who died May 16, 1902, aged 30 years.

SHELDON-HAGUE.—In loving remembrance of our dear mother, Lelilia Sheldon-Hague, who departed this life May 16, 1904. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving son and daughter-in-law, John and Elizabeth Sheldon-Hague.

SHELDON-HAGUE.—In loving remembrance of my dear mother, Lelilia Sheldon Hague, who departed this life May 16, 1904. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving daughter, Lelilia Sheldon Hague.

STANLEY.—In loving memory of our dear Florrie, who died at Campbelltown, May 16, 1906, aged 18½ years. Inserted by her loving parents, Chas. and Emma Stanley, and brother Joe.

WALTERS.—In loving memory of my dear mother, Sarah Walters, who departed this life at 53 Mackey-street, Surry Hills, on May 15, 1906. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Florrie and Percy M'Keon, of Cobar. Dead, but not forgotten.

RETURN THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. WM. SAUNDERS and FAMILY wish to kindly THANK the many kind friends for their kind sympathy on the sad death of their dear sister, Mrs. Wm. Opray, of Gladswood, Minto, New South Wales.

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THE BLAST FURNACE.

SPLENDID PICTURES IN

THE SYDNEY MAIL THIS WEEK.

STAGES OF PIG-IRON PRODUCTION—MASTERS AND MEN AT ESKBANK—THE LITERARY BALL—A NEW FEATURE: AUSTRALIAN WOMEN AND THEIR WORK.

There is a fresh vigorous appearance about the Sydney Mail this week. It is full of interesting features, while being true to its tradition of giving a big and valuable budget of reading. In the illustrated section the principal feature has to do with the blast furnace at Eskbank, which was officially started on Monday.

Page 1 is fully occupied by a photograph of the Blast Furnace. It is a general view, and makes a large imposing picture.

Page 2 is entitled "Stages of Manufacture." Here there are several pictures, which take us from the point when the molten metal flows out into the pig-beds to the final triumphant lifting up of a cool "pig" by a workman. There is a very striking picture of a "sow and pigs" held aloft by a crane—a show picture, and a very good one.

On Page 3 we have "Masters and Men at Eskbank"—groups that will take their place among historic records.

Page 4 illustrates the Sydney Mail and Sydney Morning Herald Egg-laying Competition at Berowra. The pictures make a nice set, and the accompanying article will interest breeders.

Page 5 is occupied by an illustrated article, "Railroad Flyers in America," and as the United States railways are as a whole appallingly dangerous, and kill and maim thousands of people each year, it is interesting to read of the superbly fitted "flyers" that are safe. The pictures are very good. The contribution comes from an Australian in America.

On Pages 6 and 7 Coonamble Show is well illustrated.

On Pages 8, 9, and 10 appear many beautiful pictures of Queensland scenery.

On Page 11 is "A Casual Glance," by M.G.—a crisp topical article illustrated this week by D. H. Souter.

On Page 12 are portraits of the late Henry Hudson, the late John McMaster, and the late "Ian MacLaren." From Forbes we have the portraits of Senior-constable Byrne, and Constables Bowden and Kennedy, who captured Cant, the gaol-breaker. There are also two groups from Gunnedah of officials at the recent races.

Page 13 has the heading "Australian Women: Their Homes and their Work." This is the first article of a new regular feature of the Sydney Mail. It will be found that as time goes on the page will be an inexhaustible mine for the housewife. Elsewhere in each issue we give general household hints, recipes, fashion and social items; hence on the new Pictorial Page we strike another note. The series is opened by Miss Eirene Mort, who writes on "House Decoration" (No. 1). She gives three notable illustrations—(1) a drawing-room portiere; (2) working drawing of portiere; (3) a hall dado. One of the charms of all our work on this page will be its originality, together with its Australian flavour—there will be no departure from that. Next week we will have "Women Workers in Sydney's Philanthropic Circles," by M.S. The following week Miss Mort will contribute her second article on House Decoration. Designs will be given for modern decorative work in each room of a residence.

On Page 14 appears a set of groups taken at the Literary Ball.

On Page 15 there are pictures from Narromine Show Ground.

On Page 16 is a stirring military story, finely illustrated.

OTHER FEATURES.

In the Pastoral Columns "Lana," who is at present on the western slopes of New England, gives some interesting impressions, with hints as to how a large area of country in that part could be best developed. He also suggests the establishment in Sydney of a co-operative abattoirs, in order that the producer and consumer might escape the middleman. Other topical questions are expertly dealt with.

The Agricultural and Dairying section includes the usual weekly budget of crisp notes, and articles indicating prospects and operations in the adjoining States. The producers are strongly urged to profit by the advantages of fodder conservation where practicable, and the present dry spell, with consequent losses, is used as a reason why some of the surplus feed of a few weeks since should have been saved.

"Milroy" writes on Trainers' Mistakes and Bookmakers' Strikes; and Ireland versus England in horse-breeding.

On the Australian Short Story Page: "An Adventure in the Indian Ocean," by C.B. and L.B.L.; "Smiling Faces," by O. Byrne. Poems: "Mosman's Bay by Moonlight," by M.J.R.; "Love's Message," by M.S.W.

On the Young Folks' Page: "Adventures of Jack Warrigal," by Walter Bone; Verses by May Kendall and Winifred Earle.

On the Library Page: "What Sydney is Reading," and "Local History in our Public Schools." "Esperanto" Lessons are continued.

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THE CLOSE OF THE CONFERENCE.

With the close of the Colonial Conference in London we are enabled to look back and briefly sum up results. In the first place it is plain that Great Britain has made the gathering of colonial Premiers an occasion for the closest fellowship. There have been many similar opportunities of the sort, and time and again Greater Britain, through its representatives, has been honoured by feasts and pageantry, by vigorous speeches, and the warmest welcomes at the heart of the Empire. Jubilee celebrations, war and its ceremonies and triumphs, the Coronation, and other events have given the late Queen and the present King ample room in our own experience and recollection for gracious words and kindly deeds, and another conference on the face of it should not be singular in its harvest of sympathy and achievement. Nevertheless, the event has shown a new departure. There has undoubtedly been a more earnest tone, a more vibrant note, in the national voice—using the term in its broadest sense as including the expressions of interest from all parts of the Empire. Hospitality at the centre has indeed threatened to make matured discussion of serious problems difficult, if not impossible, and more than one Premier anticipated trouble because of an atmosphere alien to the transaction of business. Concentrated attention throughout the circumference of Empire was reflected, however, in voluminous cablegrams, in continuous comment, and in the play of criticism flowing back to London to give the Premiers pause and add to the general strain. It may be said on all counts that no previous gathering of representative Britons from the ends of the earth in London has done so much in rousing interest, apart altogether from any work that may have been attempted, and this in itself is a feature deserving of special notice. It must be good for the Empire in the long run.

From the Australian point of view, we must confess that much of what has been done, to say nothing of what has been attempted, would have been better left quite alone. The acceptance by the Conference of the proposal to establish a secretariat, and to hold future conferences at regular intervals, seems to threaten the comfortable development of the Empire. It is the bringing in of machinery instead of leaving nature and common-sense to strengthen the existing bonds. Mr. Deakin has played a role in this as in so much else for which he could find no warrant in his commission. His speeches on preferential trade and his attitude on Imperial defence had no justification whatever in Australian public opinion; and his willingness to cancel the naval subsidy will find no endorsement at large in Australasia, or we are very much mistaken. The Conference has resulted in a declaration from the Admiralty which, if accepted in Lord Tweedmouth's terms, would leave us practically without an Australian squadron, with no efficient defence of our coast or ports, and open to any and every enemy that cared in war time to flaunt his flag in our face. For so much we have nothing to be thankful, and the status quo is our only safeguard. As to preferential trade, the British Government seems to apprehend trouble as an outcome of the recent discussions, since the Prime Minister has just struck a note of warning; but nothing has been said by Mr. Deakin that has affected the position. Every flamboyant statement has been more than answered. Protection, naked and unashamed, may have been his inspiration, but Mr. Asquith and other freetrade champions have exposed the selfishness of Australian provincialism. A brighter and more reassuring note has been struck through the Conference by Sir Joseph Ward. We can all subscribe to a better understanding along such lines, and good fruit will be borne if the growing tree is tended, watched, and relieved of unnecessary strain.

THE WAYS OF EMPIRE.

The important resolution carried by the Colonial Conference on Sir Wilfrid Laurier's motion may prove to be the most practical result of the whole proceedings. It is conceived and expressed on broad lines, and in the spirit of the Canadian Prime Minister's reply to Mr. Lloyd-George's suggestion to leave the matter over for expert investigation. The mover of the resolution contended that the question was not one for experts, but of policy; and the "Times" appears on the whole to be of the same opinion. Of course the experts, that is to say the practical side of the question, cannot be ignored. But, as the "Times" contends, such a scheme as that proposed ought not to be accepted or rejected on a mere consideration of profit and loss in certain contingencies. There is a profound truth behind the remark that few things contribute more powerfully to the consolidation of a national sentiment than easy and constant communication. Probably had those conditions existed in Lord North's time the American colonies would not have separated. This is the first point on which Sir Wilfrid Laurier's resolution lays stress, when it postulates that the interests of the Empire demand the connection of its parts by the best possible means of mail communication. Naturally enough, the Canadian Prime Minister associated this with the all-red route by way of the Dominion and the Pacific, but since the failure of the service via San Francisco that becomes a question of increased importance to us as well as to New Zealand. There is not any immediate prospect of the renewal of that service. The latest news to hand is to the effect that the ships which carried it on are likely to be bought by the Japanese, and the same political causes that led to their withdrawal may perhaps continue to operate until the completion of the Panama Canal puts an entirely new face on the whole proposition.

In the meantime this Commonwealth is bound to make the best bargain it can for itself in the matter of mail service, as Sir Joseph Ward frankly intends to do on behalf of New Zealand. The vessels Sir Wilfrid Laurier has in view would give us an accelerated service, and he and Sir Joseph Ward hint at providing £350,000 between them, the conditions being satisfactory. Mr. Moor's suggestion that the inclusion of China and Japan in the scheme would transform the all-red into a yellow route was probably not meant to be taken too seriously. The criticism of Mr. Deakin was more to the point, when he raised the question of the double transhipment involved in the Canadian route as against the advantages offered by the Suez route, especially if the latter were favoured by reduced dues. This reduction is what he suggests as in some measure an alternative proposal to the preferential theory as a means of drawing the parts of the Empire closer. But, as he and his colleague contended, the question of cost entered into the matter to a larger extent than either the "Times" or Sir Wilfrid Laurier is prepared to admit, and after Mr. Deakin's experience with the Commonwealth mail service he could hardly have thought otherwise. Sir Joseph Ward's estimate for a twenty-one knot Pacific service is £400,000, to be contributed by Great Britain, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand conjointly; but if Canada and New Zealand are really prepared to contribute in the proportions already stated by their representatives at the Conference that sum may be looked upon as nearly covered already. The proposals are of interest just now more particularly to us, since one of our mail routes is closed and we are said to be in difficulties about another. It is of the first importance to Great and Greater Britain that what Mr. Lloyd-George has happily called "the Appian Ways of Empire" should be kept clear.

THE FIRST LOCOMOTIVE.

The finishing of the first locomotive under the contract with the New South Wales Government by the Clyde Engineering Works is of as much importance in its way as the opening of the great ironworks at Lithgow. The State is specially interested in both events. An important industry, with unlimited promise in it, is represented by the enterprise of Messrs. William Sandford, Limited, and thousands of families may be concerned directly in the development of the furnaces and the reduction of iron ore at Eskbank. The production of iron and steel with the latest plant and appliances is a means to an end, after all. It stands for the foundation of vast enterprises in engineering, ship-building, and railway construction, and looms large in consequence. On such showing it is entitled to all the consideration that has been given it. The building of locomotives at the Clyde Works is another important step forward, and it seems fitting that the one week should see both branches of an immense industry given special prominence. Yesterday the first of the locomotives ordered for the Railway Department was brought out under steam, and now we have the concrete evidence of what may be done along these lines with a properly-equipped plant and expert workmen in the mother State. It is true that we are only following where others have led. Victoria and Queensland have been building locomotives under similar conditions for some time past, and have proved the wisdom of giving local enterprise its chance. The Carruthers Government has deserved well of the community for making this possible, and under proper conditions as to cost and efficiency the State must be the richer for this extension of its industries.

But the broader view inevitably opens from the week's experiences. We realise that not the State alone but the Commonwealth at large is benefited by every expansion of the sort represented by the production of iron and steel as raw material and the working of it up into machinery. There is reinforcement for every other industry in the self-help of Lithgow and Granville; but in times of trouble, when we shall have to strain every nerve to do our duty to the Empire, there will be comfort in the thought that we are self-sufficing. Defence without the necessary material to our hand in an emergency will be a miserable show, and it behoves us to keep this phase of a great subject in mind. We may not get so far as the building of battleships and cruisers in the immediate future, but there should be little difficulty about much else that is essential to the guarding of our coasts. Always we must think of the Pacific as the coming battle-ground of the nations, and of Australia as keeping one of the great outposts of the Empire. If we are to become a mighty naval station, and so grow into a source of satisfaction to the Admiralty in its grasp of world strategy, we must be ready with something more than natural harbours and plenty of food. Thus the building of locomotives has its place, and the development at Lithgow is an object lesson. As the centre of gravity in foreign politics comes this way, and as the Panama Canal approaches completion, we shall find the world growing so small that its markets will be next door instead of half the globe away. The production of iron and steel and the making of machinery will then be a matter for more than local consumption, and we shall compete naturally enough with these commodities against all comers, as with our wool, wheat, and butter. All the time we shall be finding out things, and local and Imperial defence will be problems easier of solution than at present. But the beginnings of to-day in our first locomotive give the promise of safety for to-morrow.

NEW ZEALAND POLITICS.

The New Zealand Government is in the fashion, and it declares a surplus of over £717,000 on its last year's transactions. Such a surplus or any surplus does not necessarily mean an advance in prosperity, but it generally does mean that the people who pay taxes are overtaxed. It means that the Government has collected more money from the people than they ought to pay for the maintenance of civil rule. No Government has a right to be proud of a series of large surpluses, for this extra money which the Government placard as so much to its credit is generally money wrung from the producing section of the community, which would have been more profitably employed if it had not been grasped by the Government. There is, for instance, this £700,000 surplus in New Zealand; there is the million or more surplus which Mr. Carruthers is going to announce to us next month. If the finances had been managed properly, there would have been no surplus in New Zealand or in New South Wales. There would in its stead have been a relief of taxation, which would have had its effect in the development of natural resources. The Treasury would have less money in its coffers, but this would have been more than made up by the increase in production which its expenditure in the ordinary channels would have caused.

Whilst a surplus in any circumstances must be regarded with suspicion—not of course in regard to the honesty, but in regard to the statesmanship of the Government which announces it—there are points in this latest New Zealand surplus which require particular consideration. We note, for instance, that the Treasurer is proved by himself to have been out in his estimate by about 10s in the pound. This, however, is an unimportant matter. Mr. Bent in Victoria has almost ridiculously underestimated his surplus year after year. The main thing that strikes one in the successive presentations of the New Zealand financial position is the constant recurrence of surpluses, coupled with the growing amount of the national debt. New Zealand cannot, if she would, get away from her obligations to the people who lent her money, any more than any of the Australian States can. New Zealand has added £20,000,000 to her national debt since the accession of Mr. Ballance to power, and this money has got to be paid in the long run, whilst in the interval interest mounts up to a huge sum every year. In the circumstances there can be no such thing as a surplus, properly considered, for every penny that overtaxed citizens pay into the public treasury is owing to the public creditor. The trouble is that, instead of devoting the so-called surplus to the payment of the public creditor and to the relief of the patient taxpayer, Ministers in New Zealand are inclined to play with it for advertising purposes.

TRAFFIC CONGESTION ON THE QUAY.

Those whose business it is to regulate the traffic of the city, vehicular and pedestrian, cannot postpone much longer consideration of the problem presented by the condition of things at the Circular Quay. In that open space a large proportion of the tram traffic of the city, much of the wool cartage, a great deal of vehicular traffic connected with the shipping, and a continual rush of cabs and omnibuses are continually in evidence. At certain hours of the day and evening this congestion approaches the danger point. It may be granted at once that the concentration of tram and other traffic at the Quay meets the public convenience. The ferries are all grouped together there, and at certain hours they naturally attract the thousands who live across the water and are anxious to reach their homes. It would be a hardship if the conveyances which carry these crowds of people were compelled to unload their freight anywhere else but at the Quay, and we suppose the same thing would be said if any attempt were made to interfere with the free passage of cabs, omnibuses, lorries, or other vehicles. But the result of all this concentration of traffic is sometimes appalling in its menace of danger to life and limb, and it is for those who are charged with public responsibility in the regulation of these matters to face the problem thus presented in time, and find a practicable solution for it.

It cannot much longer be ignored that this question of the city traffic becomes more urgent every year, and nowhere is it so pressing as in the vicinity of the Circular Quay and in connection with the near harbour traffic. It is easier to point out the difficulty than to suggest an adequate remedy, but that fact does not relieve from responsibility those whose official duty it is to deal with traffic difficulties. The credit and blame, as the case may be, must be placed on the shoulders to which they officially belong. We do not want to wait until the often-predicted harbour disaster or some more than usually sensational accident at the Quay occurs. We must foresee these possibilities, and take steps in time to prevent them. If it should prove that the matter is so serious that no mere local remedy can be made to apply, then those on whom the citizens depend for the regulation of these matters must try to take broader views. The real root of the trouble is that we have fallen into an almost incurable habit of dealing with the large question of city reconstruction and city traffic in a nibbling and piecemeal fashion. We have not yet cultivated the habit of seeing these questions as a whole, or of realising that in such matters all parts of the city are more or less interdependent, and certainly those which carry the main burden of traffic, where this particular side of the problem is more directly in question. It is in the nature of things that our traffic, both outward and inward, should flow and converge towards the Circular Quay, in addition to the ordinary currents. It is when all these cross each other and intermingle that congestion begins to take place, and that danger arises. If the traffic authorities could be induced to station an inspector or two in the neighbourhood of the Quay for a week, with instructions to prepare a faithful report on what they saw, we have no doubt that a convincing case would be made out for prompt consideration, with a view to remedy, of the condition of things now existing.

Vice-Regal Visit to the Northern Territory.—Mr. S. Mauger, Acting Postmaster-General, who is to be Minister in charge of the arrangements during the tour of his Excellency the Governor-General to the Northern Territory, arrived in Sydney by yesterday's Melbourne express. The Vice-Regal party is to leave Sydney by the China Steam Navigation Company's steamer Changsha, sailing on Saturday next. It is understood that Lord Northcote's party will include Captain Stevens, A.D.C., and Mr. H. H. Share, R.N., private secretary. The steamer will reach Port Darwin about the end of May, and as soon as the members of the party land they will become guests of the South Australian Government. By the E. and A. mail steamer, sailing from Sydney to-day, Messrs. E. K. Bowden, W. E. Johnson, and C. K. M'Donald, Ms.P., are proceeding to join the Parliamentary party in the Northern Territory.

A Tribute to the Premier.—At the concluding session of the Manchester Unity I.O.O.F., held yesterday, a resolution was carried expressing appreciation of the action of the State Premier (Mr. J. H. Carruthers) in recognising the value of the work performed by the friendly societies of this State. That Mr. Caruthers appreciated the work of these bodies was shown by his proposals to assist the societies by the "Thrift Annuities and Pensions Extension Bill." Whilst admitting that the question had not been finally discussed, still the opinion was confidently expressed that any proposals which aimed at supplementing the humane work carried out by the friendly societies should command the respect of the whole community.

The First State-built Locomotive.—Yesterday the first locomotive built by the Clyde Engineering Company, Limited, was run on the State railways. This marks the successful accomplishment of the first portion of the company's contract to supply the Railway Department with 20 goods and 30 passenger engines of approved modern type. No. 1 was a goods engine of 110 tons, and is the largest engine yet constructed in the State. The departure of the new engine from the Clyde yards was hailed with enthusiasm by the hundreds of skilled workmen who have been associated in its building since October, 1905, and the new arrival on the lines was saluted by other locomotives whose drivers recognised her as a brand-new Australian product. The initial trip was to Campbelltown, and it was attended by two Government locomotives inspectors, a Railway driver and fireman, and the locomotive construction foreman at Clyde, Mr. Emil Johansen. The run was a complete success from all points of view. Thus within a week two great national industries have marked their culmination within the State. Mr. Sandford's contract for pig-iron, dated October 21, 1905, and the outpouring of the iron from the blast furnaces at Lithgow a few days ago are practically synchronous with the dates of contract for the building of locomotives by the Clyde Company, and the running of the first engine, which, however, will have to cover 2000 miles before being accepted by the Railway Commissioners as a State purchase.

Southern Morning Train.—Residents of the southern highlands, as well as week-end visitors to Bowral, Moss Vale, and Mittagong, will appreciate the change about to be made in the running of the early morning train from the south when the winter time-table comes into force next week. Formerly the train was timed to reach Sydney at 9.40 a.m., an hour which people from the city who had to resume business found very inconvenient. It was represented locally that the unsatisfactory arrangement tended to retard the progress of the southern tablelands as a holiday and tourist resort, and an agitation was set on foot some months ago with a view to inducing the Railway Commissioners to accelerate the running of the train to enable visitors to reach the metropolis in time for business. It is announced now that the train will in future, from Monday next, leave Moss Vale at 6.15 a.m., arriving at Sydney at 8.58 a.m.

Federal Servants' Income Tax.—The High Court yesterday reserved judgment in the appeal by John Baxter, a Federal officer, against an order directing him to pay State income tax. The arguments have lasted five days, and related to a matter of very great importance, which has been under public attention for two or three years—the relation of the High Court to the Privy Council. In a certain case the High Court gave a decision following the rule of interpretation in the case M'Culloch v the State of Maryland, which has been in operation in the United States for a century, and has been followed in Canada. The effect of this rule is that, as regards Commonwealth and State, all agencies employed by either for the purpose of carrying on the functions of government are mutually exempted from the legislative operation of the other. In yesterday's argument the Commonwealth Attorney-General, Mr. Groom, urged with force that the High Court had co-ordinate jurisdiction with the Privy Council in matters such as this now under review, and that it would therefore adhere to its former decision, irrespective of any decision of the Privy Council, unless there was something in the arguments adduced during the present appeal showing that its former judgment was unsound. No appeal, he said, could be allowed from a decision of the High Court unless the High Court itself allowed it.

Colonial Boys in the Navy.—In reference to Sir Joseph Ward's remarks in London regarding warships in Australian waters being supplied with colonial crews, and thus preventing friction between British and colonial seamen on pay days, Vice-Admiral Sir Wilmot Fawkes, in conversation with a Greymouth "Star" (N.Z.) representative, spoke well of the colonial boys. They were intelligent, and easily dealt with, but they were less thrifty than the average Briton. The number who could be taken into the service was limited, and this would prevent Australian ships being manned entirely by colonials. The Admiral stated that while the British bluejackets received 1s 7d a day, the colonial got 4s 7d. This difference was not pleasant to the old men-of-war's-men. The colonial seamen were more lavish in the expenditure of money than the British tar could afford to be. The colonials' extra pay did not tend to inculcate habits of thrift, and something, he thought, should be done to remedy this inequality. The British Government would not increase the payment of their own men to that paid by the colonies; he therefore suggested that on ships where there were British and colonial seamen, all should on pay days be given the same amount, the three extra shillings per day to the colonial being placed in a savings bank to the credit of the colonial, and given to him in a lump sum when he left the service. This mode of dealing with the matter would remove all source of friction, and would teach the colonial habits of thrift, and would enable him to have a substantial banking account at the termination of his engagement. Of course, the Admiral strongly favoured Imperial control, and was pleased to know that on this point New Zealand was particularly staunch.

Cataract Reservoir.—In a report presented to the Water and Sewerage Board yesterday morning, Dr. E. S. Stokes, medical officer to the board, submitted a report, in which he stated that the recommendations which he had submitted to the board dealing with certain matters at Cataract, and which the board had seen fit to adopt, had been mainly precautionary, and had involved actions for the prevention of contamination, both specific and otherwise. He resented the imputation that he had misled, wilfully or otherwise, anyone in the matter. As regarded Cataract Camp, he had been, and still was, of the opinion that it should have been placed off the Cataract dam area, and he submitted a recommendation two years ago that it should be removed. This was the subject of much controversy at the time, and finally a partial solution of the difficulty was arrived at whereby the board constructed temporary works at Broughton's Pass to divert the Cataract water in place of the removal of the camp. In this case the action taken was to prevent the possibility of specific infection of a dangerous character reaching the general supply. Ample proof of the necessity of this expedient had been since forthcoming, for in 1906 three cases, and to date this year five cases, of typhoid had been certified in accordance with statutory provisions by the medical officer at Cataract as occurring in the camp. He had never directly or indirectly said that the vegetable matter in the water of Cataract reservoir possessed disease-producing properties. The action he recommended was with a view to remove certain conditions which were deleteriously affecting the quality of the stored water, and which might indirectly cause serious difficulties in other parts of the system. Although his first reports were made in November, 1906, very little was done in the direction he indicated, until the middle of April of this year. During this period the water rose considerably, and submerged a further extent of country covered with growths. Judging, however, by what he observed on the upper half of the Cataract River on the 10th instant, it appeared that, in accordance with the board's wishes, considerable activity was now being displayed in removing the peccant growths around the water's edge.

Deceptive Water.—It is generally recognised that it is impossible to determine the quality of water by ordinary observation of its physical characters. It is true that absolutely pure water can never look bad, but an exceedingly bad water frequently looks good. At the Water and Sewerage Board meeting yesterday, the president said Dr. Stokes had suggested to him that he might be permitted to exhibit, for the information of the board, three samples of water, viz., one taken from Cataract reservoir, one from a city tap, and the other—the final effluent—from the sewage works at Folly Point. Some members of the board—Messrs. Garrard, Henley, and M'Pherson—objected, but after the meeting Dr. Stokes exhibited the samples to other members of the board and the press. Only one correct guess was made, the waters were so much alike in their outward characteristics, that it was almost impossible to distinguish between them. The effluent from Folly Point was, perhaps, the clearest of the three. But the question as to which was sewage was demonstrated by the doctor by the application of the agent which, combined with free ammonia, caused copious red precipitate. In the case of Cataract water the change was very slight. In Prospect water no change was perceptible.

Income Tax Appeal.—The appeal of Mary Willis against the assessment made by the Income Tax Commissioners upon her as agent for her husband, W. N. Willis, for the years 1903, 1904, and 1905, came on for argument on Tuesday before the Full Court. It appeared that in 1903 Willis sent in a return showing a deficit, and the Commissioners made no assessment in regard to that year. In 1904 the Commissioners made a default assessment which Willis paid, and a similar course was pursued in 1905. In the year last named Willis left the State, having appointed his wife his attorney and agent; and subsequently the Commissioners served a default assessment on Mrs. Willis for the three years, assessing Mr. Willis's income for each at £30,000, and the income tax due and payable thereon at £750. She now appealed, and it was contended by Mr. Lamb, on her behalf, that the commissioners had no power to assess Mrs. Willis as agent for her husband for the years during which he himself was in the State carrying on business; and furthermore, that if the default assessment was intended to be on Willis, he was entitled to notice, and this had not been served upon him. Mr. Campbell, on the other side, argued that the default assessment had been properly and legally made; that it was intended for W. N. Willis, and the fact that his wife's name appeared in the assessment book was a mere redundancy and unnecessary. The argument was finished yesterday, and the Court allowed the appeal, being of opinion that under the circumstances stated in the special case, the Commissioners had no power to assess Mrs. Willis.

Japanese Onions.—The High Court delivered its reserved judgment yesterday in the case Bowden Brothers, Limited, v Little, in which the question of certain onions shipped from Japan to Sydney, and found to be unmerchantable on arrival here, was involved. Two actions were tried in the State Supreme Court here, one by the consigning firm, Bowden Brothers and Co., for payment for the goods, and the other by the consignee, Little, for damages for breach of contract, in not delivering a merchantable article. In the latter, the plaintiff obtained a verdict, and in the former the plaintiff had the verdict given against him. He applied for a new trial, and the State Full Court granted a rule nisi on certain grounds, but refused it on one ground, on which Bowden Brothers mainly relied. It was against this that Bowden Brothers appealed, and the High Court, in its judgment, took the view that under the contract appellants were only to be held responsible for any act of commission or omission in Japan, and not for what happened when the goods arrived in Sydney. It therefore directed that there should be a nonsuit in the action Little v Bowden Brothers and Co., and a new trial in the case Bowden Brothers and Co. v Little.

Taxpayers and the Income Tax.—Mr. Campbell stated during the course of the discussion over the special case in which Mary Willis appealed against certain assessments by the Income Tax Commissioners, that in many cases taxpayers were only too glad to allow the Commissioners to make a default assessment, because it was generally below their actual income, but when the pinch came and the Commissioners increased the assessment on additional facts obtained by them, the taxpayers concerned objected. Mr. Acting Justice Rogers remarked that he happened to know that many people were assessed for land tax who would be very glad if the Commissioners would take over the land, but as this subject was not within the scope of counsel's brief, he declined to discuss it.

A New Zealand Judge's Dilemma.—Mr. Justice Cooper, sitting at the Supreme Court at Auckland the other day, was confronted with a difficulty which, if deferred, is still apparently insurmountable. Under section 4, subsection 1, of the Habitual Criminals and Offenders Act, passed last session, any person convicted of an offence under certain sections of the Police Act of 1884, who, either before or after the coming into force of the Habitual Criminals and Offenders Act, has been previously convicted on six occasions, may be ordered by the justice or magistrate before whom he is charged to be brought before the Supreme Court to be dealt with as an offender, and this in addition to the sentence imposed for the last offence. Our correspondent gathers from the "New Zealand Herald" that Henry John Atkins, a very respectable-looking old man, said to be well educated, was brought up on one such order; but there appeared to be some mistake, for the man was not ordered to appear before the Judge until May 27. In the circumstances he was ordered to be returned to gaol until the date of the order. Atkins is serving a sentence of three months' hard labour. His Honor then referred to section 4, subsection 3, of the Act, which provides that "such Court or Judge may declare any such person to be an habitual offender, and may direct that on the expiration of his sentence he shall be detained in a reformatory prison under this Act." But no such prison exists, in Auckland, at any rate. Mr. Severne, the gaoler, has no such accommodation, or at least has not been instructed to provide it. His Honor remarked that the Act declared what was an habitual criminal, or an habitual offender, but it provides for sending him to a place which does not exist. If there was no reformatory, then the prisoner must be discharged from the gaol. There was a distinction between an habitual criminal and an habitual offender, and the magistrate asked that prisoner be ordered to be sent to a reformatory as an habitual offender.

Rats and the Plague.—While Dr. Ashburton Thompson, President of the Board of Health, thinks it extremely improbable that any disease can be found to kill rats on wholesale principles, he admits that something may be found some day that will prove successful. In the meantime it must be carefully borne in mind, he says, that any method for the destruction of rats hitherto discovered has not in any part of the world effected any visible diminution in the members of the rat tribe as a whole. This line of reasoning led Dr. Thompson to point out the utter futility of attempts to wholly exterminate rats. "I must once more draw attention," he said, "to the opinion I expressed at the beginning of the plague outbreak in 1900, and which I have repeated many times since. It was this: That in as far as prevention of plague goes, nothing worth speaking of can be done by the destruction of rats except in very restricted localities and places, and that the hope of safety lies entirely in measures taken to keep the rats outside the inhabited buildings. That is practical—that can be done; but the rats, as a whole, cannot be destroyed so as to prevent plague. I do not want to discourage efforts to destroy rats, which, I think, nevertheless, should be made. Those efforts are good as far as they go, and in the special localities already referred to can be effectual. I mean that what may be called a national destruction of rats is not the way to prevent plague."

Experiments in Rat Extermination.—A good deal has been heard lately of "ratin" as a specific for killing rats, but the experience of the Board of Health with the preparation has not been particularly encouraging. "Ratin," Dr. Ashburton Thompson, President of the board, explained yesterday, "is a bacterial virus which was accidentally discovered by Neumann, a student, and was subsequently sold to a Swedish company for the destruction of rats. It is now being most energetically advertised. I sent for a considerable quantity of it some months ago, and during the past six weeks or two months have been experimenting with it. So far it has, in our hands, killed only two white mice. I do not wish to say anything which will unjustly damage a proprietary article, and, therefore, I add that it is quite possible that the virus in the course of a voyage of two months may have deteriorated. In the meantime, notwithstanding the failure of the sample in my possession to kill rats in cages, I am at this moment trying practical experiments on some ships, and I need hardly say I shall be very glad to come across something that spreads disease amongst rats and kills them." Dr. Thompson, however, thinks that it is extremely improbable that any specific will be discovered which can be used in a city on a large scale to kill rats on wharfs, in warehouses, in dwellings, and in ships.

Perch Fishing in the Paterson.—Mr. C. J. Lindeman delivered an address to members of the Rodfishers' Society last night on the subject of perch fishing in the Paterson River. He pointed out that a perch river was no use as a trout stream, as the perch would hunt the trout, and ultimately devour them. Speaking of the relative merits of bait and fly fishing for perch, he preferred the fly, as he found the fish rose well. If bait were used it was well to use large baits. Two crickets were better than one, and a herring hooked by the skin or a frog were seductive baits. Phenomenal catches of large perch used to be taken in the river, but latterly the run of fish was small. Not long ago he had seen a fisherman with over 120 underweight perch, which he stated would be boiled down for the fowls. He thought the Fisheries Board should enforce the law against those who caught immature fish. Perch fishing with the fly was a distinct art to trout fishing with the fly, and a man clever at either soon became proficient in the other. He exhibited two varieties of eastern river perch—one the roach back (Colonorum), which ran to the salt water, and the other the true river species (Fluviatilis), which remained above tidal limits. He also gave a number of useful hints on the methods of fishing with a fly for perch at different times and in varying conditions of water.

Tumut, Talbingo, and Yarrangobilly.—Last night members of the Rodfishers' Society and their friends had a most entertaining lecture delivered to them by a member upon the sporting and tourist capabilities of Tumut, Talbingo, and Yarrangobilly. The lecture was delivered at Aarons' Exchange Hotel, and was illustrated by many beautiful lantern slides manipulated by Mr. W. Hurwood. The English character of the country about Tumut, the winding climb up Big Talbingo, the trout waters at Talbingo, the beautiful falls along the Buddong River, and the caves, thermal spring, and trout waters at Yarrangobilly were all adequately presented on the sheet. The lecturer stated that last season 1300 trout were captured in the Jounama River, which is an ideal stream for the fish. A specimen weighing 5½lb and many other trout and Murray cod taken in the river were observed. The whole district was described as one of the most charming tourist and sporting centres in the whole State. Not the least interesting were a number of slides showing crystalline formations in the Yarrangobilly Caves. The air at the altitudes visited was very clear, and suitable for photography.

The Weather.—The Acting Meteorologist reported last night that conditions are now developing favourable to rain, associated with thunder, over the western districts and the tributaries of the Barwon, where the continued absence of rain is causing some amount of alarm. These rains, it is anticipated, will gradually extend over the eastern districts. With the exception of light showers on the north coast and along parts of the northern tablelands, fine weather conditions again prevailed throughout the State during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday. The rain extended during the course of Tuesday night as far south as the Manning River Heads, but the registrations were generally below a quarter of an inch.

A Heavy Fog.—Early yesterday morning a fog of exceptional density enveloped the harbour, rendering navigation very difficult and risky. The fog commenced to form shortly after 4 o'clock, and as the morning wore on became thicker. All the electric fog signals on different points of the harbour were set in motion, and vessels navigating the port proceeded under very easy steam, sounding almost continuous blasts of their whistles. The ferry traffic was interfered with to some extent, the steamer timed to leave Watson's Bay at 7.5 a.m. for Circular Quay being detained until 8.15. Fortunately no accidents occurred, and at about 8.30 the fog began to lift, perfect weather conditions ruling during the remainder of the day.

The English Mails.—The mails by the Orient-Royal Mail Company's R.M.S. Oruba, bearing the date of London, April 12, will reach Sydney in time for the 8 o'clock delivery this morning. The R.M.S. Britannia, of the fleet of the P. and O. Company, arrived at Fremantle at 7.40 yesterday morning, and it is expected that her mails, dated London, April 19, will be available for delivery in Sydney at about 1.30 on Tuesday afternoon next.

Departure of the Aldenham.—To-day at noon the handsomely-modelled and elegantly-fitted steamer Aldenham, which was but recently added to the Eastern mail fleet of the E. and A. Steamship Company, will be despatched from the Circular Quay on her first voyage to Japan, via Queensland ports, Timor, Manila, and Hongkong. She has been well patronised by tourists, and among the passengers is a party of members of the Federal House of Representatives, proceeding to the Northern Territory. Shippers also have treated the Aldenham liberally, and she will carry away from Sydney a very valuable cargo for the Far East. Captain F. W. Hood, R.N.R., has been appointed to the command of the new liner, which promises to become a fast favourite with travellers.

A Much-travelled Pigeon.—The four-masted barque Sofala, which is hove to outside Sydney Heads awaiting orders from her owners, has a homing pigeon on board which has travelled many thousands of miles without being kept in captivity. Captain Auld, the master of the Sofala, in the course of a conversation yesterday, said that when off the New Zealand coast in September last year, on his way from Newcastle with a cargo of coal for Caleta Colosa, the pigeon flew on board, and at once made itself at home. The bird remained by the ship during the whole of that voyage, and also while the Sofala was in port on the West Coast of South America. The barque having discharged her cargo, was ordered to proceed to Sydney Heads in ballast for instructions, and the pigeon elected to make the return trip. The pigeon, which may be seen flying about the vessel, is believed to be a valuable bird, and attached to one of its legs is a silver ring bearing two letters, no doubt the initials of its owner. Captain Auld says that although the bird has become quite a pet of the ship he is prepared to return it to its owner should it be claimed.

The annual meeting held in connection with the Church Missionary Association on Tuesday had relation only to the women's department of the association.

Public holidays have been appointed as under:—Districts of Parkes and Lockhart, Wednesday, May 22; districts of Cobar and Wrightville, Thursday, May 23; districts of Cowra, Narrandera, Glen Innes, Wagga Wagga, Braidwood, Trangie, Peak Hill, Wyalong, Tenterfield, Tumut, and Adelong, police district of Manning River, Hamilton municipality, Penrith municipality, Rylstone shire district, Friday, May 24; district of Menindie, Wednesday, June 5.

"T. H. S." calls the attention of the municipal authorities to the state of the footpath leading from Man-o'-War Stairs to the Farm Cove entrance of the Botanic Gardens, which is in so bad a state of repair as to be almost dangerous.

TO-DAY.

St. Andrew's Cathedral: Anniversary of the laying of the foundation-stone, 7.30 p.m.
Town Hall: Besses o' th' Barn Band, 8 p.m.
Railway Institute: "Maritana," 8 p.m.
Sydney Art Club: Annual Exhibition, 70 Pitt-street, 10 a.m.
National Art Gallery: Address by President, 1.30 p.m.
Leigh House: Lecture by Mr. Keep, 8 p.m.
School of Arts, Burwood: Address by Mr. T. Henley, M.L.A., 8 p.m.
Smithfield Town Hall: Address by Mr. H. E. Pratten, 8 p.m.
Royal Society: Science Lecture, 8 p.m.
St. James' Hall: Bazaar in aid of the Sydney Day Nursery, 2.30 p.m.
Women's Patriotic Club: Lecture by Mr. Bruce Smith, 8 p.m.
Meeting of Mr. J. C. Williamson's Friends: Australia Hotel, 4 p.m.
Her Majesty's Theatre: "Mother Goose," 7.45 p.m.
Theatre Royal: "Monsieur Beaucaire," 8 p.m.
Palace Theatre: "Quality Street," 8 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre: Vaudeville, 8 p.m.
Criterion Theatre: "Honour Thy Father," 8 p.m.
Lyceum Theatre: West's Pictures, 8 p.m.
National Amphitheatre: Vaudeville, 7.45 p.m.
Oxford Theatre: Picturescope Company, 8 p.m.
Queen's Hall: Edison Pictures, 8 p.m.
Sydney Skating Rink: Prince Alfred Park.
Clay's Vaudeville: Town Hall, Petersham, 8 p.m.
World's Touring Cars: Pitt-street, 10.30 a.m.
Haymarket Hippodrome: 8 p.m.
Zoological Gardens: 10 a.m.
The Thripelodeon: Oxford-street, 8 p.m.
Bondi Beach Skating Rink: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

See this week's issue of the "Sydney Mail" for a striking picture entitled "The Blast Furnace at Eskbank." It is a general view, and makes an imposing picture.—Advt.

THE COMMONWEALTH.

METEOROLOGICAL CONFERENCE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

The conference in connection with the systematising of the Federal meteorological work will commence in Melbourne on Monday. Victoria will probably be represented at it by Mr. Barrachi; Western Australia by Mr. Cook, the Government Astronomer of the State; and New South Wales by Mr. Hunt, Federal Meteorologist. Nominations from the other States have not yet been received. The chancellors of the Sydney, Melbourne, and Adelaide universities have been invited to attend, and Professor David is expected from Sydney, and Professor Lyell will be present on behalf of the Melbourne University. Mr. Knibbs, Federal Statist, will be associated with Mr. Hunt, as he has devoted considerable time to meteorology and its allied subjects. The agenda paper of the conference is not yet available, but the general scope of its deliberations will comprise the following:—The range of practical or popular meteorology to be undertaken at once, as against theoretical meteorology; the extension to be undertaken later on; the extent of purely scientific investigations in meteorology; meteorological reports and records; which of the records it is desirable to keep in manuscript, and which to publish; marine meteorology; oceanography; flood warnings; river levels; co-operation of State departments in controlling rivers and hydrography; observations by means of kites, etc., of phenomena in the higher strata of the atmosphere; and apparatus for the observation of the electrical conditions of the atmosphere.

TRANSFERRED PROPERTIES' VALUATION.

The work of setting capital values on properties transferred from the States to the Federation will, it is anticipated, be disposed of finally by next September. The secretary of the Department of Home Affairs, Mr. Miller, will undertake the valuations in New South Wales, Tasmania, and South Australia, and Colonel Owen, Inspector-General of Works, will do the same in the other States. In New South Wales, Mr. Miller will act in conjunction with Mr. Vernon and the Government land valuer, Mr. Sievers. All the important centres are to be visited, and in the other parts of the State typical buildings will be taken as sufficient for a basis, as an inspection of the whole would be impossible. An expert officer of the Defence Department will value the military armaments. Mr. Miller will leave for Sydney on Monday, the 27th inst. He expects to be in the State about five weeks.

THE BURNT BALLOT PAPERS.

It is understood that a grave view is taken by the Minister for Home Affairs of the circumstances surrounding the burning of the Senate ballot papers in South Australia, and the Attorney-General is being consulted about the matter.

PERSONAL.

VICE-REGAL.

His Excellency the Governor and Miss Rawson gave a dinner party at State Government House, Rose Bay, last evening. The following were present:—Senator the Hon. A. J., Mrs., and the Misses Gould, Mr. Justice G. B. and Mrs. Simpson, the Hon. C. K. and Mrs. Mackellar, the Hon. C. E. Pilcher, Mr. C. M. Woodford (Resident Commissioner for the Solomon Islands), Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Holmes, Major and Mrs. Legge, Mr., Mrs., and Miss Christie, Miss Vaughan, Miss Wilson, the Rev. F. T. Perkins, Captain J. E. F. Coyle (adjutant 2nd Australian Infantry), Captain Leslie Wilson, A.D.C.

Mr. L. E. Groom, Federal Attorney-General, who came to Sydney some days ago in connection with a case before the High Court, returned to Melbourne by last night's express. Mr. S. Mauger, Acting Postmaster-General, arrived in Sydney yesterday, and will leave with the vice-regal party for the Northern Territory by the steamer Changsha on Saturday next.

Mr. Acting Justice F. E. Rogers, K.C., has been appointed to continue to act as a Judge of the Supreme Court from May 13 to May 25, inclusive.

On Saturday, May 25, Mr. J. C. Williamson will leave by the P. and O. liner Mongolia for London, with his wife and family, upon an extended visit which will probably involve an absence of twelve months. Under these circumstances a meeting of the actor-manager's friends has been convened for this afternoon at the Australia by Messrs. Reginald C. Allen, Owen Cox, and J. D. Fitzgerald, to arrange a farewell demonstration. The Hon. James Hogue, M.L.A., will preside.

At yesterday's concluding session of the Manchester Unity I.O.O.F. Conference Bro. F. G. Crofts was elected Grand Master, with Bro. W. H. Austin as Deputy Grand Master.

At a meeting of the Newtown Council on Tuesday evening Mr. George Chandler was appointed assistant sanitary inspector for that municipality. At the same meeting Mr. John Wilson was appointed junior clerk at the Town Hall.

At Bateman's Hotel, George-street, yesterday, Mr. H. D. M'Intosh was the recipient of a cheque for £345, chiefly subscribed by those interested in the sport of cycling in the city and country districts. It was recognised that Mr. M'Intosh had rendered great service while secretary and referee of the New South Wales League of Wheelmen in the direction of keeping the sport clean. Mr. E. W. O'Sullivan, M.L.A. (president of the League of N.S.W. Wheelmen), presided over the gathering, and in proposing Mr. M'Intosh's health referred to his organising abilities and his qualities as a sportsman. Messrs. Phil. Sullivan and A. Kelly, Ms.L.A., Percy Hunter, and E. Lewis Scott supported the toast, which was honoured in an enthusiastic manner. In responding Mr. M'Intosh stated that, much as he had been maligned over certain actions in connection with cycling, he had only pursued the straight path of duty.

The following candidates have passed the law examinations mentioned. The names are arranged in order of merit:—Intermediate legal history: J. A. B. Cahill, E. J. Ropkins, J. V. Wright, H. L. Wheeler, V. J. Kelly, M. E. Manfred, N. D. Thomas, R. K. Allen, E. R. Daniel. Intermediate law: W. F. K. Kemp, N. L. Dreger, T. D. Lynch, W. B. Halloran, C. E. Herd, L. Barry, A. C. M'Donald, E. Simpson.

The candidates mentioned below have been successful in passing the legal section of the examinations held under the auspices of the Sydney Institute of Public Accountants, the Institute of Accountants in South Australia (Incor.), the Tasmanian Institute of Accountants, and the Institute of Accountants and Auditors of Western Australia, held in April last. The names are given in order of merit, as follow:—R. L. Sidey, Sydney; Cuthbert Viner Smith, Adelaide; W. Forsythe, Sydney; Joseph A. Spencer, Sydney. Western Australia dealt with their candidates locally.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

THE SEMAPHORE WRECKS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Another writ was served on the Ardencraig at Port Adelaide to-day by Mr. P. R. Stow, representing the master, officers, and crew of the steamer Jessie Darling. The claim lodged is for damages, and this is the fifth writ made for the vessel.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN TIMBER DISPUTE.

PERTH (W.A.), Wednesday.

The timber workers at Jarrahdale rejected Mr. Teesdale Smith's offer to pay married men and men supporting mothers and sisters 8s per day of eight hours, and other single men 7s 3d, with the alternative of piece work at certain rates. The men are determined to stand out for a minimum of 8s per day of eight hours, and they say that any settlement must come through the executive.

One mill at Jarrahdale is still being worked by the combine's staff.

THE CONFERENCE.

ALL-RED MAIL SERVICE.

TWENTY-FOUR DAYS TO LONDON.

COLONIAL OFFICE REFORM.

CLOSE OF THE CONFERENCE.

LONDON, May 15.

The Colonial Conference concluded its sittings yesterday.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Prime Minister of Canada, submitted a resolution favouring the establishment of a mail service to Australia and New Zealand, via Canada. His proposals were divided into two parts, one affecting the Atlantic service, and the other the Pacific service.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier proposed that the Atlantic service should equal the existing service to New York, thus saving two days as the difference in favour of Halifax is 900 miles. He allowed four days on the sea, and four across Canada by means of an accelerated railway service.

On the Pacific side Sir Wilfrid Laurier proposed to establish a service of at least 18 knots, which would bring Sydney within 24 days of London. He admitted that it would be difficult to start such fast steamers immediately. The cost would be borne by the several contributing Governments in equitable shares. Canada would contribute to both shipping services as she is interested in the maritime trade on both oceans.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's proposal contemplated improving the existing service to China and Japan. He hinted that Canada was prepared to subsidise the services up to £250,000.

AUSTRALIA DOUBTFUL.

Mr. Deakin, Prime Minister of Australia, warmly commended the proposal so far as Canada was concerned, though he doubted if Australia or New Zealand could obtain a service quicker than they already possessed for a reasonable price. Owing to the two transhipments the line would only do for mails and passengers.

Australia, Mr. Deakin said, was encouraging swifter means of communication through the Suez Canal, and via the Cape, which saved transhipment, but she was interested in both Eastern and Western routes. If such a project as Sir Wilfrid Laurier's could be placed on a sound financial basis Australia's interest for postal purposes might almost equal that of New Zealand.

Sir William Lyne (Minister for Customs, Australia) said he feared that a very large subsidy would be required for the Canadian project. It would probably take 30 days via New Zealand to reach Australia from England, since it would be necessary to stop four times before reaching Sydney. The present trade between Australia and Canada was not great, but he thought that the Australian Parliament would look favourably on the scheme. Certainly the project was desirable, and deserved inquiry. He understood that the last three knots would double the coal consumption.

NEW ZEALAND WANTS GREATER SPEED.

Sir Joseph Ward (New Zealand) said that he was greatly disappointed with the speed suggested in the proposal. It would certainly not satisfy New Zealand, since it would only bring her within 28 days of London, which she already enjoyed via San Francisco. It was impossible to get a fully equipped fast mail service unless Great Britain, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand joined hands in paying a subsidy of from £300,000 to £400,000. Such a sum divided among all would fall comparatively light, and ought to supply a 23-knot service between England and Canada, and a 20 to 21 knot service between Vancouver, Australia, and New Zealand.

Stopping-places like Honolulu, Suva, and Auckland, Sir Joseph Ward said, were comparatively short distances apart. With suitable coaling depots a high speed could be maintained if modern high-powered steamers were provided. But it was worth while to pay a high subsidy for a 24 or 26 day service.

It would be necessary, Sir Joseph Ward continued, for a New Zealand port to be the first port of call. If the steamers called at Sydney first and New Zealand last New Zealand would not contribute. Sydney must be the terminal port, where the steamers could remain fully a week coaling and overhauling. If they touched at New Zealand first it would be only necessary to remain a few hours.

New Zealand now provided £40,000 a year, but she would give £100,000 towards a swift mail service bringing the colony within 20 days of England.

Australia and Canada, Sir Joseph Ward asserted, could save all the money they were now spending on immigration if they established a fast service with adequate third-class accommodation and cheap transit to and across Canada. He preferred to spend New Zealand's money in supporting an all-British route and a fortnightly service to making a direct grant to immigration.

The route via the Suez Canal took six weeks, and tended to keep New Zealand in the backwoods. The scheme he favoured would revolutionise communication with England. He urged that tenders be invited with a view of ascertaining the cost of 18, 19, 20, and 21 knot services. New Zealand would not remain without a direct service of mails and passengers to England. He urged co-operation among British possessions. Unless the matter was approached in a broad spirit New Zealand's only alternative would be to increase her subsidy, and revive the service across the United States. He hoped that that would be unnecessary, but something practical must be done without unnecessary delay.

Mr. Moor (Premier of Natal) remarked that if the Japan and China lines were included the all-red route would become yellow.

BRITISH DELEGATE SEES DIFFICULTIES.

Mr. Lloyd George (President of the Board of Trade) said he regretted that the proposal of Sir Wilfrid Laurier had not been submitted in time to enable the Government to put forward considered views. The discussion showed how difficult the problem was. If great speed was essential the cost might be absolutely prohibitive. The best plan would be for these proposals and others which might be submitted by Australia for instance regarding the Suez Canal route to be subjected to expert investigation by representatives of the British and Colonial Governments. It was possible that the effect of the completion of the Panama Canal would be an important factor in the situation.

RESOLUTION AMENDED.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said he was delighted that New Zealand thought the proposals did not go far enough. The matter was not one for experts, but was a question of policy. He was prepared to amend his resolution to secure harmony.

The resolution was finally carried unanimously in the following terms:—

> That the Conference is of opinion that the interests of the Empire demand that as far as practicable its different portions should be connected by the best possible means of mail communication, travel, and transportation.
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> That it is advisable that Great Britain should be connected with Canada, and through Canada with Australia and New Zealand, by the best service available within reasonable cost.
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> That for the purpose of carrying the above project into effect such financial support as may be necessary should be contributed by Great Britain, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand in equitable proportions.

NEWFOUNDLAND FISHERIES.

Sir Robert Bond (Premier of Newfoundland) read a statement regarding the Newfoundland fisheries and the modus vivendi with the United States.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Mr. Deakin raised the question of wireless telegraphy.

Mr. S. C. Buxton (Postmaster-General) explained the position of the colonies, and declared that their interests were adequately protected. He confidently expected that the colonies would receive votes at the next wireless telegraphy conference on the analogy of the Postal Convention.

THE COLONIAL OFFICE.

Mr. Deakin moved,—

> That the Secretary of State for the Colonies be invited to frame a scheme which will create opportunities for members of the permanent staff of the Colonial Office to acquire more intimate knowledge of the circumstances and conditions of the colonies with whose business they have to deal, whether by appointment, temporary interchanges, or periodical visits of officers, or similar means.

Mr. Deakin said that the efficient administration of this great public department was becoming yearly more important. It was imperative periodically to readapt its methods and machinery to changing circumstances. He shewed how much out of touch even the best colonial officials must be if they conducted all their business by correspondence alone. They must infuse new blood if they hoped to keep step with the development of the self-governing dominions. They must work outside the Colonial Office among the interests and places affected.

Mr. Deakin sketched the duties he proposed for the new Imperial Secretariat to fulfil.

Lord Elgin (Secretary of State for the Colonies) said he doubted the practicability of an interchange of officials. He warmly defended his staff, and said that the constitution of the new Secretariat would require time and great caution.

CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier moved a vote of thanks to Lord Elgin, expressing warm and sincere appreciation of his presidency, thanking him for his many courtesies, and desiring to place on record the deep sense of gratitude the colonial representatives felt for the generous hospitality of the Government and people of the motherland.

Mr. Deakin, who seconded the motion, expressed the hope that the next conference would be held when Parliament was not sitting, and would not be held in the London season. He trusted that the Imperial Secretariat would keep the colonial Governments fully informed about all matters prior to the delegates starting for the conference.

Lord Elgin replied. He said that 12 Cabinet Ministers attended the sittings and participated in the discussions, so that the Conference had really been a conference of Governments. He considered that a great advance had been made upon previous conferences, and believed that from the standpoint of business the conference had been largely successful.

The Conference then closed.

DINNER WITH LORD ELGIN.

At night the colonial Premiers who were present at the close of the Conference dined with Lord Elgin.

VIEWS OF THE PRESS.

CONFERENCE FIRMLY ESTABLISHED.

INFLUENCE ON THE MOTHERLAND.

The "Times," in a leading article on the work of the Colonial Conference, says that whatever the verdict of future historians on the particular issues may be, its general purport will be to dwell on the Conference of 1907 as a remarkable illustration of the powerful influence of such gatherings on the formation of public opinion, and insist on the moral effects of the Conference, which has now become an institution destined like other British institutions to grow.

The "Times" asserts that the All-British route via Canada to Australia and New Zealand is a subject demanding expert examination, but the plan ought not to be adopted or rejected for mere considerations of profit and loss. In certain contingencies the route might be of strategic importance. Our experience, also that of Italy and Germany, is that few things have contributed more powerfully and directly in consolidating national sentiment than easy and constant communication.

The "Standard" writes that everything else pales beside the Government's wooden unimaginative determination to take no steps conceivably promoting the commercial federation of the Empire, but the leaven is working, and the attitude of the colonies has made a profound impression on the motherland.

The "Daily Telegraph" states that Mr. Deakin was the central figure of the Conference. He will return to tell his own people that though he has not secured all that they desired he has accomplished much, perhaps more than he expected when he sailed.

The "Morning Post" finds in the words in the resolution as finally adopted, "within reasonable cost," a loophole for Ministerial escape from practical action. The "Morning Post" contrasts the enlightened energy and farsightedness of Sir Joseph Ward in advocating shipping subsidies as a potent means of Imperial consolidation with Mr. Lloyd George's emphasising of the difficulties without expressing any enthusiastic desire to overcome them.

The "Daily Chronicle" asserts that the principle of the all-red route has been accepted by the Conference. Meanwhile in regard to the general work of the Conference if Lord Elgin constitutes the Imperial Secretariat strongly, and sets it to work promptly, it will increase the success of the Conference from a business standpoint.

The "Daily News" states that the Conference is a [illegible] one of practical concern and achievement. It has given the Conference a definite regular place in the working of the Empire, and has created a secretariat which ought to help the motherland equally with the colonies in the matter of information.

The "Daily News" is glad that Mr. Lloyd George was careful not to commit himself regarding a fast mail service, and adds that subsidies and bounties are not as bad as protective tariffs, but they are unsound in that they discriminate unfairly between different firms and different industries. Why should the taxpayer subsidise one firm rather than another, and one industry rather than another?

BROADENING TAXATION.

LIMITS NOT YET REACHED.

THE GOVERNMENT'S REPLY.

LONDON, May 15.

In the House of Commons last night, on the motion for the second reading of the Finance Bill, the debate was continued on the amendment moved by Mr. Austen Chamberlain to broaden the basis of taxation, in the interests of social reform and national and Imperial trade.

Mr. Balfour warned the House that they were dealing with a world which was determinedly striving to divert commerce and industries from their natural channels to our disadvantage. He contended that if there were sufficient grounds for imposing duties for great national and Imperial objects the mere fact that the duties possibly involved some small protective effect was no reason for rejecting them.

Mr. H. H. Asquith, Chancellor of the Exchequer, replied that we had not reached anything like the possible limits of taxation on a freetrade basis. He contended that the basis of our taxation was broader than any other country. It consisted of taxes on necessaries, next on the simpler luxuries, and finally on property.

Mr. Asquith defended the fiscal liberty of the motherland and the colonies, and said he was sure that after the frank and cordial interchange of opinions members of the Colonial Conference rose from the table better friends than when they sat down.

Mr. Chamberlain's amendment was rejected by a majority of 266 votes, the division being:—

For the amendment 108
Against the amendment .. 376

The motion for the second reading of the Finance Bill was then carried.

THE MAIL SYNDICATE.

ACTING WITHIN ITS RIGHTS.

LONDON, May 15.

The "Daily Mail" states that the mail syndicate has informed the Commonwealth that it is acting within its rights under the contract.

THE INCREASED BOND.

HAS NOTICE BEEN PROPERLY SERVED?

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

It would appear that in serving the notice demanding an increase of the bond given by Sir James Laing and Sons, Ltd., for the due fulfilment of the contract for the English mail service, the Commonwealth Government had dealt with the representative in Melbourne, Mr. W. H. Croker. The question has arisen as to whether service upon Mr. Croker is a proper one. He received the notice last night, and had this been in order the extra £25,000 would be payable on order before next Tuesday. It is stated, however, that the notice should have been served upon the contractors in London, and it is believed that the Postmaster-General, Mr. A. Chapman, has cabled the notice to England. The week's notice for the payment of the increased bond will, of course, begin on the date on which the contractors receive the notice.

IRISH COUNCIL BILL.

WIDESPREAD DISSATISFACTION.

LONDON, May 14.

There is every probability of the National Convention, which is meeting in Dublin, rejecting the Irish Council Bill, despite Mr. Redmond's appeal to suspend judgment.

The Most Rev. W. J. Walsh, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Dublin, Cardinal Logue, Archbishop of Armagh, and the Right Rev. P. O'Donnell, Bishop of Raphoe, have repudiated the bill.

The Irish-American irreconcilables scout the scheme.

Mr. Timothy Healy, M.P., denounces Messrs. Redmond and Dillon for failing to reject the bill when a forecast of it was submitted to them.

PLOT AGAINST THE CZAR.

HOW IT WAS DISCOVERED.

LONDON, May 14.

In regard to the plot recently arranged by 80 conspirators to kill the Czar, it appears that they tentatively approached a member of the Czar's bodyguard, requesting him to assist in the enterprise, which was to inaugurate a new era of national prosperity.

The member of the Czar's bodyguard, however, informed the police of the plot.

THE NEW HEBRIDES.

LONDON, May 15.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Colonies, in reply to a question in the House of Commons last night regarding the recruiting of labourers under the New Hebrides Convention, said that the Government was considering whether licenses issued to British vessels to recruit labour should not prohibit the recruiting of females for service outside the group.

AUSTRALIAN NAVAL AGREEMENT.

LONDON, May 14.

Mr. E. Robertson, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, announced in the House of Commons to-day that a paper relating to the Australian naval agreement would shortly be published.

No action, Mr. Robertson said, would be taken by the British Government until the assent of the colonial Parliaments had been obtained for the proposed change, and unless the change was ratified the agreement made in 1902 would be continued until 1910.

SIR JOSEPH WARD.

LONDON, May 14.

Sir Joseph Ward and his party were entertained at luncheon by 100 New Zealanders, together with Sir Montague Nelson and Mr. Henniker Heaton, M.P., at the Hotel Cecil.

THE TALLOW SALES.

LONDON, May 15.

At the sales of Australian and New Zealand tallow to-day 2175 casks were offered and 1375 were sold. Prices were unchanged.

SEDITION IN INDIA.

DISCONTENTED OVERAWED.

DEPORTATION OF PRISONERS.

LONDON, May 14.

Laj Patrai, one of the agitators at Lahore, who, it was reported, had been deported to the Indian penal settlement in the Andamans, has been sent to Mandalay, the military cantonment of the British in Upper Burmah, where there are 32 other political prisoners, detained for other offences.

Five further arrests have been made in connection with the recent riots at Rawal Pindi, Punjab district.

The Allahabad correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" reports that the firmness of Mr. John Morley, Secretary of State for India, has had a salutary effect on the agitators in the Punjab.

KING OF ITALY'S ESCAPE.

ATTEMPTED TRAIN WRECKING.

LONDON, May 14.

A bomb exploded on a railway line between Padua and Bologna a few minutes before a train was due in which the King of Italy was travelling.

A man who is suspected of being concerned in the outrage has been arrested.

PRIVY COUNCIL APPEAL.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY VERSUS TERRY.

LONDON, May 15.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council has reserved judgment in the appeal of the Municipal Council of Sydney versus Terry.

The action was one brought by the Municipal Council of Sydney against Edward Terry to recover £130 11s 8d, claimed by the plaintiffs for contribution of annual instalments for the years 1901, 1902, 1903, and 1904 as payable by the defendant to the plaintiffs under the provisions of the Moore-street Improvement Act, 1890, at the annual rate of £32 12s 1d, in respect of property situate within the Moore-street improvement area. The defendant refused to pay the amount, alleging at the same time that such instalments could be recovered only against the original owner at the date of the assessment, namely, the Sydney Real Estate Bank, which was wound up by voluntary resolution in 1893. In May, 1895, defendant acquired the property by transfer from J. T. Neale, and a new certificate of title as owner in fee-simple was issued to him a year later. He also paid the annual instalments from 1896 to 1900. The matter came before the Full Court, consisting of Mr. Justice Simpson and Mr. Justice Pring on March 2, 1906, when Mr. Gordon stated that the point was whether under the Act the person who had to pay was the person who was the owner at the time of assessment or whether the liability passed to the person who was the owner at the time the instalments became due. The Court decided to follow the decision in the case of Wrench v Richardson and Wrench, 19, N.S.W. L.R., 78, and gave judgment for the defendant, with costs. Plaintiffs then went to the Privy Council.

THE AMERICAN WHEAT MARKET.

LONDON, May 15.

Following on enormous realising there has been a slight relapse in the Chicago and New York wheat markets.

THE WOOL SALES.

LONDON, May 14.

At the wool sales this afternoon bidding was spirited, and prices were very firm.

May 15.

At the wool sales yesterday the following prices were realised for the clips mentioned:—Tokorangi, 10¾d; Home Hills, 11½d; Listowel, 12½d; Felton, 12½d; Tuena, 13¼d; Reid, 13½d.

The Wool Importers' Association has decided not to limit the quantities for the remaining series.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

SUCCESSFUL VICTORIAN SCHOLAR.

LONDON, May 15.

Mr. Harvey Sutton, a Victorian Rhodes scholar, has passed the primary examination for the Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons.

IRISH AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Thomas Wallace Russell, M.P. for South Tyrone, has been appointed Vice-President of the Council of Agriculture in Ireland, in succession to Sir Horace Plunkett.

[Sir Horace Plunkett had been Vice-President of the Department of Agriculture in Ireland since 1899, but had not been a member of Parliament since 1900. Although holding practically a Ministerial office, Lord Salisbury did not displace him on his defeat at the general election of 1900, and so valuable was his work that on the accession to power of the Liberals in 1905, he still continued to hold his appointment. Lately, the Nationalists have been restive at this long continuance of a Conservative in office, albeit it was acknowledged that his work in the interests of agriculture in Ireland had done much to improve the conditions of that industry, and they goaded the Government to make a new appointment. Mr. Russell, the new vice-president of the department, describes himself as a Liberal "opposed to Home Rule for Ireland, but in favour of land law and temperance reform."]

DISASTER AT SEA.

The steamer Thorthil, while bound from New York to Brazil, caught fire, and foundered in mid-ocean.

The crew, numbering 29, left the vessel in four boats, and eight days afterwards reached the Barbadoes, having sailed 870 miles.

ABOLISHING THE ANCHOR STROKE.

The committee of the Billiards Association is formulating a rule to abolish the anchor stroke.

LEGISLATION FOR LAUNDRIES.

A bill bringing all laundries under the Factory and Workshops Act was read the second time in the House of Lords last night.

[At present laundries, where worked in connection with convents, are not amenable to the Factory and Workshops Act. The intention of the bill is to bring these laundries under the provisions of the Act.]

ATTEMPTED MURDER.

A LIFE SENTENCE.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Wednesday.

James Hehir, alias Smithers, was to-day sentenced to imprisonment for life for attempted murder at Christchurch on April 8.

Hehir, who was supposed to have been actuated by jealousy, cut the throat of Nellie Jackson, a young married woman, from Melbourne, with whom he was living at Christchurch. He then attempted suicide by cutting his own throat.

The Judge said the woman's life was only saved by the skill of the hospital doctors. Had she died, accused would undoubtedly have been convicted of murder. His Honor's duty to society called upon him to inflict life imprisonment.

Stock Exchange investors and speculators should never miss the notes in the "Sydney Mail" detailing the Stock and Share market. The advice and hints given in the letter are always well worth careful scrutiny.—Advt.

PREMIERS IN ENGLAND.

LONDON'S ROYAL WELCOME.

THE FREEDOM OF THE CITY.

GREAT AND MAGNIFICENT PAGEANT.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

LONDON (via Fremantle), April 19.

The motherland has given a warm welcome to the delegates to the Imperial Conference. As guests of the nation, they have been provided with elaborate suites of rooms at the Hotel Cecil, and motor cars and carriages are at their disposal. They are the lions of the London season, feted and entertained on every hand. The Old Mother rejoices at the homecoming of her daughter States. This warm-hearted hospitality is the outward expression of a widespread hope voiced by the press and on the platform that the movement for drawing closer the bonds of Empire may ultimately be brought to full fruition.

General Botha, "the Benjamin of the Brotherhood," as he was not inaptly described by Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman in his opening speech at the Conference, arrived at Southampton on Saturday last, accompanied by his sister, Miss Botha, and his daughter, Miss Helen Botha, also by an interpreter, Mr. Beyers. The General does not speak English with sufficient fluency for public addresses. His speeches delivered in the Taal are translated sentence by sentence by his interpreter. After receiving an address of welcome from the Southampton civic authorities, the Transvaal Premier and his party came on by rail to London in a special saloon carriage reserved for their use. On the same day Sir Wilfrid Laurier, accompanied by Lady Laurier, arrived from Canada, and was received and welcomed by representatives of the Colonial Office.

The first meeting of the Conference was held on Monday this week in the Colonial Office. All the delegates, except Sir Robert Bond, Premier of Newfoundland, who has not yet arrived, were present. Several hundred people lined Downing-street to watch the arrival of the visitors. General Botha, accompanied by his interpreter, in a powerful motor car, was the first to arrive. The others, also in motor cars, followed in quick succession. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman walked over from the unpretentious official residence of the Prime Minister close by, and the Conference, which public opinion hopes may become historic, began.

The proceedings on the opening day were confined to an address of welcome by Sir Henry, and suitable acknowledgments by the delegates. The business was conducted with closed doors, and it was subsequently agreed that this would be the rule throughout the session. Mr. Deakin pleaded strongly for an "open-door policy," and in his demand was supported by Sir Joseph Ward and Dr. Jameson, but Sir Wilfrid Laurier, General Botha, and the Colonial Office delegates were against it.

"LONDON'S GREATEST GIFT."

On Tuesday the colonial delegates were the recipients of the greatest public honour the city of London has in her power to bestow—that of investing them with the freedom of the city. No public function since the King's Coronation has compared with it in splendour, or aroused such popular enthusiasm. The streets along the route taken by the nation's guests, from the entrance to the city proper at Temple Bar to the Guild Hall, the civic home of the Corporation, were garlanded with flags, banners, and mottoes. At Temple Bar a great banner stretched right across the street, on which was emblazoned in letters of gold, "The city of London heartily welcomes her sons from Greater Britain." Along Fleet-street, past St. Paul's Cathedral, up Ludgate Hill, and through Cheapside, stretched a canopy of bunting. "One King," "One Empire," "May Your Work Endure," "Prosper the Empire," were some of the mottoes displayed. Thousands of people lined the streets and cheered the procession of open carriages escorted by mounted troopers, which conveyed the guests, the representatives of the Transvaal, Natal, Cape Colony, Australia, and Canada in the order named from the Hotel Cecil to the Guild Hall.

BRILLIANT SCENE AT THE GUILD HALL.

Long before the arrival of the Premiers the scene in the library of the Guild Hall, where the reception took place, was a stirring one. The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress arrived at noon, and were conducted to a dais at one end of the hall, and here they were surrounded by councillors, sheriffs, aldermen, and other officials in picturesque costumes. The library exceeds 100ft in length, and its architecture and superb stained glass windows date back to the 17th century. To this venerable hall the scene of many historical events, the wards of the outer Empire came to receive the city's freedom in the presence of a brilliant assemblage. For more than an hour the reception of the distinguished guests was in progress. As these were announced by the Usher they walked up the aisle through the crowd of interested spectators to the dais, and were welcomed by the Lord Mayor. The guests included numbers of the nobility, men distinguished in science, literature, art, the Church, politics, and war. As well-known names were announced, the spectators made slight but suppressed demonstrations of approval.

All restraint, however, was thrown aside when Sir Charles Tupper's name was called, and hearty cheers greeted the venerable Canadian statesman. Thenceforward popular favourites were openly cheered. Lord Roberts received an ovation; so, too, did Lord Strathcona, High Commissioner for Canada. The reception of Sir George White, the hero of Ladysmith, was scarcely less warm. The Prime Minister, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, obtained a hearty welcome, and the greeting of Mr. A. J. Balfour was even as cordial. Mr. Winston Churchill, Mr. John Burns, and the Archbishop of Canterbury, in his scarlet robes, had each their admirers, but all these demonstrations were feeble, compared with the extraordinary outburst of enthusiasm with which the colonial Premiers were greeted. A fanfare and the road from thousands without announced that the guests, whom the flower of the great city had met to honour, were at hand. As previously arranged, General Botha, accompanied by his sister and daughter, came first. The announcement of his name was the sign for great cheering, and as the tall, manly-looking Transvaal Premier and his charming companions walked slowly up the aisle the audience rose, and cheer on cheer resounded throughout the great building. Then came Mr. Frederick Moor, the Premier of Natal, Mr. Jameson (Cape Colony), Sir Joseph and Lady Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Deakin, and, lastly, Sir Wilfrid and Lady Laurier. As each representative came forward, he was greeted with sounds of hearty cheering. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was accommodated with a seat on the right and Mr. Deakin with one on the left hand of the Lord Mayor, while the other guests were ranged around in a semi-circle. General Botha was scarcely seated when he discovered that Lord Roberts was standing just behind him. He rose at once, and victor and vanquished in the Transvaal struggle engaged in friendly conversation. Subsequently the two heroes sat together at the official luncheon.

A QUAINT CEREMONY.

An address of welcome to the Premiers was read by the Recorder. It expressed gratification "that this ancient corporation, mother of local self-government throughout the Empire, looking back on an unbroken history of more than 700 years, should have this opportunity of greeting through you our brothers beyond the seas, and conveying to them the kindly and fraternal feelings which fill our hearts to-day." The ceremony of presenting the Premiers with the freedom of the city, which still preserves the quaintness of its origin in bygone centuries, was carried out by the Chamberlain, Sir Joseph Dimsdale. The declaration asserted that the Premiers were of good name and fame; that they did not desire the freedom of the city whereby to defraud the King or city of any of their rights, customs, or advantages; but that they would "pay their scot and take their lot." The declaration was then signed by the Premiers, and a certificate of the freedom, enclosed in a handsome gold casket, was presented to each of them. Mr. Deakin was chosen by his colleagues to return thanks on their behalf.

In the spacious Guildhall adjoining luncheon was served. The lifesize statue of the great Chatham and his still greater son, William Pitt, looked down on the festive board they had on occasions graced in life.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER'S SPEECH.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in response to the toast of "The Premiers," delivered a noteworthy address. He reminded his hearers that it was at that board towards the beginning of the nineteenth century that William Pitt uttered the famous sentence: "England has saved herself by her exertions, and will save Europe by her people." Referring to the present Conference, he said: "Since I have been in this land—it is only three days ago that I landed—I have learned that in this country great importance is attached to the Conference of this year; that on one hand high expectations are entertained of its deliberations, and I find there is a dread lest they may end in failure. Failure there shall not be. There will be no such word as failure in connection with the Conference of 1907. I do not mean to say that the hopes are to be realised of those ardent, enthusiastic Imperialists who, not remembering the uncertainty of all human calculations, would endeavour to bind the future, perhaps, by putting upon the present intolerable conditions. But I mean to say that this Conference means to demonstrate to the world, and demonstrate to ourselves, that the British Empire is a living entity. It will clear the atmosphere. It will separate the practical from the sentimental. It will show what is possible, and what is not possible. It will show what can be done; and, more important yet, it will show what is to be avoided."

THE 1900 CLUB BANQUET.

Another great function which illustrates the popular enthusiasm with which the Premiers have been received was the 1900 Club banquet, held in their honour on Thursday evening in the Albert Hall. The club embraces the Unionist party, and Mr. Balfour and his sister received the guests. There were nearly 2000 at dinner, and as many were unable to procure tickets in the galleries a special floor was put down to increase the accommodation for the guests. The decorations were elaborate and artistic. Mr. Balfour delivered a fine address. All the Premiers spoke, and Mr. Deakin, who was in good form, made an excellent impression.

SECRET SITTINGS A MISTAKE.

As to the conference, it is too soon yet to speak with any certainty as to what is likely to occur from it. Sitting in secrecy appears to be a mistake. Two meetings for business have been held this week, but no practical results have yet been accomplished.

ISLAND HURRICANE.

FUTUNA COMPLETELY DEVASTATED.

THE VISIT OF THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN.

CAPTAIN DAVIDSON'S NARRATIVE.

News of a disastrous hurricane in a portion of the Fiji group, resulting in the complete devastation of the island of Futuna, was brought to Sydney by the steamer South Australian, which returned to port last evening from a cruise of the South Seas. It appears that the tempest, which was one of the most severe for many years past, occurred on April 18, and remained at its height for about five hours. The great Roman Catholic Church, which for 40 years has been in course of construction, and the European and native dwellings, were levelled to the ground, while the plantations were absolutely ruined. The officers of the South Australian describe the scene as one of great desolation, the entire island being strewn with debris. Fortunately there was no loss of life, but the damage done to property is of such an extensive character that the residents of Futuna estimate that five years of labour will be necessary before the island regains its previous prosperous condition.

Captain Davidson, the commander of the South Australian, upon being seen, gave an interesting account of the disaster. "We sailed from Wallis Island," he said, "on April 23, and on nearing Futuna at daylight the island looked as if it had been burnt all over, and as the sun rose we could see that the place had been swept by a hurricane. Passing Alo we observed that the church there had been unroofed, and many of the native houses had been blown down, while the cocoanut trees had all their branches and leaves twisted off; there was nothing left on them but bald green heads. On nearing Sigavi Bay we saw that the chapel on the hill was roofless and gutted, and upon landing we learned from Mr. Opperman, an old trader, that the island had been devastated by a hurricane, which occurred on the 18th (17th Futuna time) April.

"The wind first came away from the east-north-east, then backed to the north and north-west, finishing up west to south-west. The lowest reading of Mr. Opperman's barometer was 28.32. The worst of the hurricane lasted five hours—from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Around Sigavi the native houses have been nearly all levelled to the ground. Mr. Opperman has only his dwelling-house left, and this he had secured with every rope, wire and chain he had on the place before the worst of the wind came. All of his other houses were blown down, and some of them carried out to sea.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH DESTROYED.

"The splendid large church built by the late Father Trouillet (begun about 40 years ago, and the great work of his life), has been completely wrecked." Captain Davidson, continuing his statement, said: "The walls, built of square blocks of sandstone, have been levelled to the ground—nothing left standing but the gable ends, and most part of the tower and steeple. It seemed almost incredible that the great 28in buttressed walls could have been demolished so completely by the force of the wind. The priest's and sisters' houses have also been unroofed, and the walls mostly demolished, in fact the whole of their buildings are in ruins, as is the whole island.

"The people have suffered greatly, but the fathers and sisters were in wonderful spirits, considering their terrible misfortune, and were hard at work getting temporary shelter. Mr. Opperman was also in good spirits. In all his long experience in the South Pacific he had never seen so severe a hurricane. He said to me: 'We are smashed up now for the next five years, even if we don't get another visitation of the kind, and food will be very scarce shortly.'

"A most wonderful thing," Captain Davidson added, "is that there was no loss of life, and almost no injury to anyone. The South Australian sailed at 5 p.m. the same day. On our previous visits the island of Futuna looked so grand and beautiful, towering away up into the sky with all possible shades of green from the water upwards—now it is a great ugly burnt-up looking brown lump."

OTHER ISLANDS ESCAPE.

The South Australian arrived at Rotuma at daylight on April 26, and it was found that although there had been dirty weather there on the 18th and 19th, with heavy sea, no hurricane had been experienced.

The South Australian was fortunate in escaping the worst of the hurricane. The log shows that the vessel left Levuka on April 16, bound for Wallis Island, on her usual trip. On April 17, after clearing the windward reefs, the ship ran into a moderate north-west breeze, but with a heavy sea from the same quarter. The following day the sea increased, and the weather was squally from the north-west, backing to the north-east in the squalls. The barometer did not fall sufficiently low to indicate anything more than ordinary squally weather, but the sea was high and confused. The steamer arrived at Wallis Island at daylight on April 19. The weather was very dirty on that and the following day, with heavy rain squalls from the north-west. The South Australian sailed from Wallis Island on April 23, and reaching Futuna shortly afterwards, the place, as already described, was found in ruins.

VICTORIA.

THE SHOPS AND FACTORIES ACT.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

A deputation from the Trades Hall to-day asked the Chief Secretary, Sir Alexander Peacock, to make a number of amendments in the Shops and Factories Act. They desired that the "reputable employers" clause should be abolished, and that the question of fixing wages should be left entirely to the Wages Boards, and that the boards should be again given power to regulate the number of apprentices as well as improvers to be employed; that the boards should have sole control over the issues of permits; and that the Appeal Court provision should be abolished. Generally the deputation wanted the Act restored to what it was before the amendments were made by the Irvine Government.

Sir Alexander Peacock said he was in thorough sympathy with the deputation, and would bring the requests before the Cabinet.

THE SECRET COMMISSION'S PROSECUTION.

Mr. Arthur Stevenson, manager for Young and Co., merchants, was to-day acquitted on a charge under the Secret Commissions Act arising out of the supply of paint to the Melbourne Hospital.

QUEENSLAND ELECTIONS.

MR. PHILP'S MANIFESTO.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

Mr. Philp has issued the following brief manifesto to the electors of Queensland:—"On May 18 you will be called on to vote for your representative in Parliament. Three parties are seeking your votes—the Labour party, the Kidston party, and the Opposition party. The first two are so much alike that a socialist may vote for either. The thoughtful anti-socialist has no alternative but to vote for the Opposition. The return to power of our party means progress, prosperity, and happiness to all classes. The return of the socialists means a continuation of the deadly stagnation produced by the lack of confidence which Queensland suffers, despite good seasons and high prices of all products. I confidently ask the men and women of Queensland among whom I have lived for the past 45 years to vote for our candidates."

THE CLYDE ENGINES.

FIRST FRUITS OF THE LOCOMOTIVE CONTRACT.

A SUCCESSFUL RUN.

"There is no more making in a locomotive than in any other complicated piece of machinery," said Mr. W. M. Noakes, general manager of the Clyde Engineering Company, Limited, as he stood yesterday beside No. 1 of the engines that are to fulfil the company's contract of sixty with the Government of this State. "Given the money, the tools, the men, and reasonable working conditions, and the building of a locomotive possesses no serious difficulties."

No. 1 stood in all its glory on a newly-constructed road, the proud first of the heavy type of locomotives which are now being constructed. Lacking a little polish, which the painters will impart later on, No. 1 looked the embodiment of strength and usefulness. Its lines were graceful, although its general aspect was ponderous. "She," to give the loco. the pronoun by which it is known amongst railway men and manufacturers, moved sweetly along the metal road, with all her parts pulsing unisonally, and her undergear as firm as a well-planned and executed engine should be. On the smoke-box and tender appeared modest brass emblems, specially designed for the new engines. These were in marked contrast with some of the assertive and spreading designs which one notices upon some foreign locomotives. A phoenix rising from the flames, surrounded by a scroll, bearing the words "Clyde Engineering Co., Ltd., Granville and Sydney," and surmounted by the Australian emblematic fauna, the emu and kangaroo, formed the design.

A few men, one of whom bore a freshly-acquired scar on his forehead, the result of a forcible introduction to one of the parts of the steel monster, were just finishing the easing of a bearing and lever, and a few hammer-taps soon adjusted the lever into place. A whistle from the engineer in the cab, a hiss ahead, and the loco. moved her massive 110 tons along the road, while the "Herald's" representative sprang on the footplate eager to have the honour of being the first outsider to ride on the first great locally-made engine intended for use on the State railways. Close by stood Railway Loco. Inspector Hamilton, whose critical eye took in details unobserved by the layman. It is by exercising the senses of feeling and hearing as well as that of sight that a loco. inspector tells if the engine is right. In the cab he notes any undesirable vibration or rocking, and his ear, attuned to the music of the levers and movable parts, promptly catches any erratic pulsations. The boiler had been tested up to 220lb. to the square inch by hydraulic pressure, and up to 175lb. to the square inch by steam, for an hour, long ago, and as the same care and exactness have been exercised in the construction of all the other parts, everybody in the works expected things to go smoothly.

"All the men have taken pride in their work," said Mr. Noakes, a remark which was re-echoed later by Mr. T. Irons, the chief mechanical engineer of the works, and himself a director. "From the boy who held the red-hot rivets while the hydraulic punches stamped them into place right through the gamut of skilled operatives, they have put energy and brains into their work."

There is ample evidence in the well-organised establishment that this is a correct statement, for more locomotives in the making were to be seen everywhere. It is not an empty announcement that these engines are entirely of local make. The steel, iron, copper, brass, asbestos, and pine brought here are the raw materials, and these were moulded and shaped, drilled and milled, by machines specially imported or made for the purpose. One could spend many profitable hours watching the building operations. Finished plans of modern goods and passenger locos. were supplied to the company, and as soon as these were received by Mr. Irons and Mr. A. M'Nab, his assistant computer, it was not long before Mr. O. Colley, the chief draughtsman, and his staff had made the working plans and duplicates which are handled in the various shops. Inspector Jones, of the Railway Department, kept general oversight in the boiler and building shops, where Messrs. E. Johansen and H. A. Menbrey's staffs dealt with ponderous sheets and bars and "into symmetry the mass incongruous beat." In the pattern shop Mr. G. Baxter modelled parts necessitating the most scrupulous care; and Mr. J. Pemberton, foreman in the turning and machine shop, Mr. F. Bowden, foreman in the smiths' shop, and Mr. H. Epps, foreman painter, brought their skilled knowledge to bear upon the work entrusted to them and their stalwart assistants. The admirable organisation and smooth working at the Clyde Works has always evoked enthusiasm from visitors, and there is no need to refer further to what is a conspicuous element in the success achieved by the company.

It is interesting to note that in the construction of the new goods or T class locomotives no less than between nine and ten tons of copper and brass were employed, and a little reflection shows that the cost of construction of the engine must be substantial. The tender of the loco. carries 3600 gallons of water and five tons of coal.

A word of history is necessary in referring to this culmination of an enterprise which has national significance and value, particularly in view of the fact that it is almost synchronous with the successful manufacture of pig-iron at Lithgow by Sandford's, Ltd. Coincident with the date on which Mr. Sandford's contract for the manufacture of pig-iron began—viz., on October 21, 1905—the Clyde Engineering Company's contract for the construction of 30 T. class or goods engines and 30 P. class or passenger engines commenced. The outpouring of pig-iron from the blast-furnaces at Lithgow was accomplished at practically the same moment when the first engine was complete and ready to run at Clyde. It had been the desire of the Clyde directors to have the engine ready to run the special train to Lithgow, with visitors, to witness the ceremony there; but the regrettable illness and death of the general manager, Mr. Henry Hudson, caused the scheme, which would have been one of national interest, to fall through. The actual running of the engine, however, only post-dated the Lithgow proceedings by a few days.

Mr. Noakes pointed with pride to the work in the boiler shops and smithy, to show how thoroughly it was being accomplished. Overhead a traveller, which can swing 30 tons with ease, rested on its ways ready to be brought into action at once, and the "Herald" representative watched the shaping of a glowing sheet of steel by a monster hydraulic flange machine, which, exerting a pressure of 350 tons, bent the material into the desired form, and yet made no crack in the tough metal. As the red-hot sheet left the furnace, six men flew to their allotted posts, and drew it into position, slightly igniting the girders under the rails on which it was pulled to its place under the hydraulic press and mould. The scene was one of strenuous brain and muscular effort. Here were men riveting inside boilers, others were utilising pneumatic riveters, and all about was the clang of hammers. There were more men to be seen hereabout with scars on their heads, for when something flies in an engineering establishment, the man who stops it bends. Many more engines were nearing completion.

"You can do nothing with an engine possessing a bad boiler," remarked Mr. Noakes, as he ran his finger round the smooth milled edge of one of the huge parts. "If the boilers are faithfully made you can generally rely on the rest of the machinery being true as a hair. These men do splendid work. You would not think that a boiler was about half an inch longer when it is hot than when cold. These are matters that engineers must take note of."

Naturally the feeling of pride in the whole of the works has some practical expression amongst the men. One of these is in the desire to have a ride in the cab of the first engine. This matter will, of course, be equitably adjusted.

"What will the new engine be asked to

do?" was the query which suggested itself, and Mr. Irons' response was prompt.

"After a fair amount of work on nearly level roads she will have to negotiate grades of one in thirty. Loads up to 3000 tons will probably be behind her on the level, but it is not usual to ask a brand-new engine to do severe work up steep gradients before her bearings are all working smoothly."

Mr. J. Scott, locomotive superintendent, then appeared, and it was announced that "timetables" had arranged for a run of 30 miles to Campbelltown and back for the new engine. Whistles by other engines saluted No. 1 as she slowly crept to the siding which gave access to the main suburban railway line, and the men of Clyde, who had spent so many months in her construction, cheered lustily as she left the yard. On the way engineers at various places saluted the new arrival with whistles of welcome. The two Government inspectors, a railway driver and fireman, and Mr. Johansen were in the cab for the initial run."

"When she gets into the hands of her new driver," said one of the Clyde foremen, "he'll swear at her for a week—they always do—and then he'll love her. She's got everything on her except her lace headgear."

By which he meant the final touch of paint and varnish, for otherwise, from wheel-flange to dome, she was perfect. But she will have to run 2000 miles before being finally accepted by the Railway Commissioners.

AN ARGONAUT OF AUSTRALIAN IRON.

THE LATE MR. ENOCH HUGHES.

With the furnace of the Eskbank ironworks in full blast, and the establishment of the iron industry in Australia practically a settled thing, fresh interest is created in the history of treating ore in this country and the multitudinous difficulties which had to be surmounted before Mr. Sandford succeeded in bringing his enterprise to such a successful issue.

Foremost in that small devoted band of enthusiasts who persisted in believing in the capabilities of Australia as an iron producer was the late Mr. Enoch Hughes, who died in Melbourne in 1893, when manager of the Australian Gas Retort and Firebrick Manufacturing Company of that city. From the age of 14 Mr. Hughes was associated with the iron industry. Born in Dudley, Worcestershire, England, he entered the local ironworks on leaving school, and for 14 years occupied positions of increasing importance in the iron-producing districts of Great Britain. When he left England for Australia he was engaged at the Spring Vale works, where 1000 tons a week was turned out. A few days after landing in Melbourne in 1858, Mr. Hughes found that in the State of Victoria was an immense quantity of scrap iron, which for lack of opportunities to turn it to profitable use was obtainable at a figure ridiculously low as compared with the prices ruling in Europe. This was Mr. Hughes's opportunity. He lost no time in importing the necessary plant and establishing the first mill in Victoria for the manufacture of bar iron. The works situated in Dudley-street, West Melbourne, were carried on under his management for some years, and at the present day are still in operation.

When he disposed of his interest in these works three years later Mr. Hughes was approached on behalf of a Melbourne syndicate to visit and report upon the Fitzroy ironworks at Mittagong. His observations gave such promise that a lease of the works was taken, and he guaranteed to produce pig-iron at the rate of 100 tons a week before the expiration of 12 months. This undertaking he carried out successfully, producing the first pigiron in New South Wales on November 8, 1863. Mr. Hughes remained at the Fitzroy Ironworks until the expense of working and the restricted local demand for iron led to them being closed down, when he superintended the erection of the machinery of the Pyrmont Ironworks, and for a time managed this concern. After spending a year in the firebrick manufacture, Mr. Hughes visited Lithgow Valley, and there established the works, of which he remained manager from 1875 until 1882. In the last year of his management 7476 tons of pigiron were produced.

During the following year Mr. Hughes returned to the Fitzroy works at Mittagong, and converted large quantities of the pigiron made 16 years previously into bar iron, and at a later date he joined Mr. Sandford in securing a lease of the same property for five years to carry out a contract to re-roll 30,000 tons of rails for the New South Wales Government. At the conclusion of this contract Mr. Hughes assumed control of the Onehunga works in New Zealand. From 1887 until 1891 he acted as manager of these works, relinquishing the position only to take up the position with the Melbourne firebrick manufacturing concern, which he held at the time of his death.

Mr. Hughes was a gentleman known and respected throughout every branch of the iron trade in Australia and New Zealand, and his name will go down in the industrial history of the Commonwealth as one of those whose indefatigable perseverance in the face of tremendous difficulties did much to pave the way for the success inherited by a later generation.

HOUSING OF WORKING CLASSES.

APPEAL FOR LEGISLATION.

LITHGOW, Wednesday.

A few weeks ago the local progress association forwarded a resolution to the Premier urging legislation to provide for the better housing of the working classes, as advocated by the "Herald" in a recent issue. The association has now issued a circular to several kindred bodies in the State on this question. The circular points out that the need for such legislation is quite apparent, particularly in industrial centres. It is urged that town-workers stand in need of a measure of assistance such as settlers have received, and are no less entitled to it. "Subject to the regulations of the advance department of the Government Savings Bank, a settler may receive assistance in the shape of a loan to pay off existing encumbrances, to purchase the land, to make improvements thereon, or to build his home." The circular urges that "legislation which would give the town workmen similar privileges would be merely an extension of the principle already established." It is pointed out also that the claims of workmen have been recognised in several Acts of the British legislature. In Glasgow the local authority is empowered to effect extensive improvements with the object of enabling the poorer classes to lead decent lives under sanitary conditions. In Ireland the needs of the labourers have been met by the erection of 20,000 workmen's cottages, and it is proposed to erect an additional 30,000. Further proposals are now before the House of Commons, whereby extensive powers will be given the local authority to resume land for small holdings, and to help in the erection of homes. "It will be seen, therefore," added the circular, "that proposals such as those suggested by the committee of Lithgow P.A. are distinctly on the lines of modern progressive associations." Finally, co-operation is asked by making direct representations to the State Premier, and also to the member for each electorate.

COAL-TRIMMERS AND STEVEDORES.

CONFERENCE AT NEWCASTLE.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

Since the advent of the busy shipping season at Newcastle, stevedores have complained almost daily that the supply of union labour for trimming vessels loading at the Dyke has been inadequate, and in consequence the work has been unduly protracted, and vessels delayed. Several instances of delay to vessels have occurred within the last few days. The complaint of the stevedores is directed against the Newcastle Coal-trimmers' Union, which, they allege, has been restricting the membership of the union, although applications have been made by suitable men to join the union. Yesterday one firm notified the union officials that if men who had applied to be enrolled as members of the union were not admitted, application would be made to the Registrar of the Arbitration Court to have the union's registration cancelled.

A request made by the secretary of the union (Mr. J. Eiffe) to meet them and discuss the question, resulted in a conference between the union officials and the stevedores, held at the Centennial Hotel to-day.

The following stevedoring firms were present:—Newcastle Stevedoring, Tug, and Lighterage Company, Messrs. O. Fisher, W. Marsden, Norbett Callen, Taylor and M'Neill, and Hudstone, Livingstone, and West. The secretary and four delegates represented the union.

The conference, which lasted all day, and adjourned until to-morrow, fully discussed the situation, and the parties entered on the work of drawing up an agreement for future guidance.

A CHARMING TONIC.

FISHER'S "KOLA-CUP" strengthens the Digestion. It soothes and nourishes outraged stomachs. A most wholesome SUSTAINER for the OVERWORKED and FEEBLE, and for CONVALESCENTS recovering from Typhoid or Influenza. Infinitely superior to strong spirits; very palatable and satisfying. All Chemists, 3s and 4s 6d per bottle. Insist upon a glass of Fisher's "KOLA-CUP" at all Hotels.—Advt.

STATE ELECTIONS.

NEW ROLLS BEING COLLECTED.

THE NEW PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ACT.

Another effort is being made to get the electoral rolls of the State in good order before the general elections. It is worth while considering the suggestion thrown out in our columns on Saturday last by a letter from Mr. B. James, hon. secretary of the Liberal and Reform Association—that householders should assist the police in obtaining the name of every qualified person in that dwelling, and so securing his or her enrolment. Many persons are too tired—in other words, too apathetic—to trouble about getting their names on the list of voters; others are too astute to place the names of their friends who happen to be of a different political complexion from themselves, but who may find it inconvenient to take any steps to secure enrolment, on the lists; while others again are too prone to procrastinate and to defer the small trouble involved until it is too late. Yet all these are sorry when the turmoil of election surges round them, to find that they are debarred from taking any direct part in the choice of a Parliamentary representative because the necessary qualification—the name on the roll—is wanting. Liberalism suffers more than Labour from all these troubles, and stands in danger of losing more from it than the other side, which has a full knowledge of the advantage of complete organisation.

Polling day is probably, in consequence of the effort to bring the rolls up to date, a good distance off. It is at least two months ahead, probably more. But even that time is none too long to perfect organisations, to awaken the sleepy, to galvanise the slothful. Interest—a good healthy political interest—must be aroused by some means or other, and the political faddist, the man with an axe to grind at the national grindstone, the person with one idea in politics, it may be a paper currency idea, a land nationalisation notion, a one-act plan for the removal of all ills of the body politic, are the people who are most energetic in raising up interest. Luckily for the community good sense generally prevails, and the nostrum-monger has no chance of pushing his patent. Still, there are electors who are not reached by these classes of enthusiasts, and their interest must be wakened from the lethargic into the energetic state. Conservatism may not be dead, but it is not in the ascendant, radicalism is loud voiced, and Liberalism which includes all shades of political thought between these two extremes has an undoubted majority amongst all the electors, but suffers, as all majorities have done from the beginning, by reason of a good percentage of its individuals having no feeling that they personally can do any good. If a healthy 10 weeks' interest could now be aroused throughout the whole community there would be no fear of the wrong side winning in the coming contest, or of the right side after it has won being slow in redeeming its promises.

Letters that have been published from time to time in these columns show that in some cases the Liberal and Reform Association has its own troubles to face and overcome. These troubles are not insurmountable, but only require tact and perhaps tactful firmness, together with a graceful yielding where branches of the association are in fault, to smooth them all away. The association is not instituted for the purpose of foisting any candidate on the people, but for as far as possible ascertaining their wishes, and then giving effect to them. When it tries—if it should ever do so—to fashion a political machine, the people themselves will deal with it, and set it right. Let it be understood that the association is honest, and the people will trust it. Let it be ascertained that its branches are a reflex of their members, and the members will be loyal to it. Let it be known that they are energetic, and the members will have an incentive to energy.

THE NEW ELECTORAL ACT.

Last night's Government "Gazette" contains a copy of the Imperial Order-in-Council at which the King's assent was signified to the Parliamentary Elections Act passed by the New South Wales Parliament last year. A copy of the Act is appended to the order-in-council. So far as the electoral rolls are concerned, the new enactment provides that lists of electors shall be compiled by the police "as soon as practicable after the commencement of this Act." That explains the collection of names which is going on now. The lists when completed must be exhibited for 30 days at post-offices and police stations in order that claims for additions to them or objections to names already therein may be lodged. Then they have to go before the Revision Court, and 21 days' notice must be given of the sitting of the court. There are the usual provisions for making supplementary lists after the main rolls have been completed.

Section 10 is of interest to hotel and boarding-house keepers. It enacts that the police may request any person in charge of a dwelling, or who appears to be in charge of it, to fill up a form to be supplied to him, with the names of the inmates of the house who are above the age of 21 years, and therefore entitled to enrolment.

If objections are filed to any person's enrolment, they must be in the hands of the Registrar at least 14 days before the sitting of the Revision Court.

WAVERLEY ELECTORATE.

Mr. Thomas Jessep, M.L.A., held a successful meeting in the Mill Hill portion of his electorate on Monday evening. Mr. Walter Carter presided. Mr. Jessep reviewed his actions in the State Parliament during the past three years, and pledged himself to oppose any amendments of the Gambling and Liquor Acts that would affect the vital principles of these measures. He further expressed his unqualified approval of the policy as expounded by the Premier. A large number of electors attended, and a strong committee, to be known as the Mill Hill-st James' Glebe Committee, was formed.

THE LACHLAN.

Mr. J. G. Carroll, the selected Liberal and Reform candidate for the Lachlan, intends to open his campaign in the course of a few weeks. He has already received the nomination of several branches of the Farmers and Settlers' Association, and will probably have the support of all the organisations of that character in the electorate. The promises of support he has received are very encouraging, and in a single-handed battle he should be able to win the seat. At last election Mr. Kelly won on account of a splitting of votes.

GOULBURN.

ADDRESS BY MR. T. ROSE.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

Mr. T. Rose addressed a political meeting to-night, the Mayor presiding.

He thought it would be better to take the proposed referendum on the reduction of members at the ensuing election, and the people at the same time should be asked to express an opinion on the continuance of the nominee Upper House. The two reforms should go hand in hand. Reform in legal procedure was urgently needed in the direction of simplification and more uniformity. He favoured superseding the position of State Governor by the Vice-President of the Executive Council, acting ex-officio. It would be well for the Government to ascertain if the location of the Federal capital was just now a burning question, so as to avoid the risk of a small vote, which might be construed against us. At best it was only asking the people to affirm a negative. He thought a call of the House should be made after the election, and certain definite sites submitted to the Federal Parliament. He spoke highly of the Premier's proposal for closer settlement, the conversion of leases, and the administration being completely removed from politics. The owners of large estates might be allowed to fix their own values for local government purposes, which would be one factor in arriving at the values for resumption. On the remission of taxation he suggested the utmost prudence, as the outlook for the coming season was bad in many places. Penny postage would diminish our revenue, and our expenditure on defence must increase. We should also make sure of a continuance of the Braddon clause. Then there was a large fund requisite for closer settlement purposes. In industrial matters he favoured legislating so that no boy or girl engaged in factory, shop, or household duties should receive less than 5s per week. There must be two parties to conciliation or wages board, and if one party refused there must be a method to bring it into line. The present Arbitration Court was ruined by prohibitions, and the fear of prohibitions. Probably 25 cases had been withdrawn from State jurisdiction merely on the obiter dicta of the High Court. If the decision of the lower Court had been final we would have had much better results.

ST. LEONARDS ELECTORATE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Is the committee of St. Leonards Liberal League in earnest in selecting a candidate, or is the committee (if such exists) in reality only throwing dust in the eyes of the electors of St. Leonards?

This league has not been called together since the last election, and yet the committee is elected.

Will the secretary, Mr. James Stanway, please say:—

1. Whether any meetings of the members of the league have been called for the last two and a half years?
2. Whether he has refused or neglected to call meetings of the members of the league, although requested to do so?
3. Whether committee meetings have been called to discuss a meeting with the Reform League, and notice of such meeting has only been given to a few persons, and other members of the committee were ignored?
4. Has not this committee of the Liberal League refused to meet the People's Reform League on various pretexts?
5. Who were the members of the committee other than Mr. Stanway who decided not to meet the People's Reform League?
6. Does Mr. Stanway still say that the local league has no rules, and refuses to be bound by the rules of the Central Association?
7. Are the acting secretary and president residents of the electorate?

I am, etc.,
A MEMBER OF THE LEAGUE.

THE PREMIER AT MOLONG.

"THE PROVIDENT TREASURER."

MOLONG, Wednesday.

The Premier, accompanied by Messrs. Winchcombe, Eden George, and Oldham, motored to Molong from Gumble yesterday. Last night the Mayor (Alderman Kinna) welcomed the Premier in the Town Hall on behalf of the aldermen and citizens. The Premier, in returning thanks, said he had an interest in the Molong district, as the only freehold property he owned out of Sydney was here. Regarding the complaint that the too stringent application of the sanitary laws would inflict hardship, he said that if representations were made to the Chief Secretary reasonable elasticity would be observed in the administration of those laws.

The Premier, later, opened the Empire Bazaar, in connection with the Church of England, and at 9 o'clock a banquet was held at Donaldson's Hotel, Major Claude Smith, president of the P. and A. Society, presiding.

The Premier, on rising to reply to the toast of "The Ministry," was warmly received. He said the principal aim of the Government had been to induce a system of self-reliance and self-help on the part of the people. When it took office thousands of men were looking to the Government to find employment for them, often on unproductive works. The Government refused to be a labour agency, and the result was that to-day there was an absence of genuine unemployed, while the professional section, deprived of encouragement, disappeared from its regular haunts. He referred to the Lithgow iron works, the Wolgan shale mines, and the Clyde engineering works as evidences of good offices on the part of the Government, who opened up means whereby these could be established without taxing the community. The iron contract to the Government, which Mr. Sandford had for seven years, would not cost the State more than a half per cent more than for the imported article. At Kogarah he had intimated that he proposed a reduction in taxation. He had to be careful, and not allow himself to be run into extremes. Although they had had a good season, and there was an overflowing Treasury, they must not forget they lived in a country where there was no guarantee that the next season would be good. The provident farmer would conserve his surplus fodder in a good season, for a bad one was bound to come sooner or later. The provident Treasurer would do likewise. He would remit what he could, but not too much. Regarding Federation, he had taken a stand against the unfair treatment of the State. They had only parted with certain rights. They believed they could trust the other States when their destinies were handed over, but they had discovered their error. The Federal Parliament had given treatment to this State which would not be given to a dog on the chain. He hoped the people of the State would not say he had done wrong in giving them an opportunity of expressing a definite opinion on the subject at issue. He also hoped that the Orange electorate would assist the Government in its work by returning a candidate at the next election who would support them.

LABOUR AND PEACE.

INTERVIEW WITH MR. BEN TILLET.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Mr. Ben Tillet, the well-known English Labour leader, is visiting Adelaide. He is a passenger by the steamer Essex, in which he is making a round trip, for the benefit of his health. Mr. Tillet, in course of an interview to-day, stated that the labour movement in England had taken great encouragement from the Australasian movement. He went on to say: "I hope the time will come when there will be an interchange between England and Australia, as between England and America. There have been great results from the interchange, in an ambassadorial sense, of labour representation between the two countries. Delegates are yearly sent by the head organisation of trades unions in England to the industrial organisations of America. Further than that, however, there is a keener touch in the old country with the European movement, and I am thinking that probably the menace to European peace between Germany and England will be largely counterbalanced, if not absolutely checked, by the interchange of labour goodwill between the trades unions and socialist organisations of the two countries. That, of course, is one of the ideas we are aiming at. I believe that international peace will be determined really by economic conditions rather than by other means, and I am hoping for the freest possible policy of interchange between nations in tariffs and such like. Fighting for trade and markets is, after all, in the present aspect of civilisation, the only cause of war between nations. The Labour parties of the world are recognising that, and I trust that the South Australian Labour party, which seems to be in advance of any other centre of the world, will seize that idea, because possibly its members can crystallise it, and give more definite expression to it than any other party I know of."

CASUALTIES AND FATALITIES.

FATALLY INJURED AT FOOTBALL.

Patrick Ambrose, 23, lately an attendant at the Gladesville Hospital for the Insane, died yesterday morning at the Sydney Hospital. He was admitted to the hospital earlier in the day suffering from peritonitis. It was stated that Ambrose had sustained injuries at a football match on May 4.

DEATH IN A CELL.

The death of William Hunt, 58 years of age, which occurred on Saturday night in a cell at the Clarence-street police station, formed the subject of an inquiry yesterday before the City Coroner. Deceased had been arrested on Saturday afternoon for drunkenness, and was found apparently asleep when a constable subsequently visited his cell. The medical testimony was to the effect that death was probably due to suffocation, consequent on the air passage being obstructed by a large piece of meat.

A verdict of accidental death was returned.

FATAL FALL FROM A BICYCLE.

BRAIDWOOD, Wednesday.

Mr. Charles White, a well-known resident, received a severe fall off his bicycle last night, from the effects of which he died this morning.

HUMAN REMAINS FOUND.

MURWILLUMBAH, Wednesday.

Some bleached human bones were found yesterday near No. 2 tunnel on the Tweed-Lismore line. Nothing was found to lead to the identification of the remains, which are believed to be those of a navvy, as a pair of hobnailed boots with steel caps were found close by. When the railway was being built there was a big main camp in the vicinity.

A TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

A woodsplitter, John Louis Schmidt, has had a trying experience in the bush six miles from Warburton. While his mate was away buying provisions, Schmidt fell and fractured his right leg. For two days he crawled about the bush awaiting the return of his companion, and when his mate eventually returned Schmidt's condition was on the verge of delirium. He is now an inmate of the Melbourne Hospital.

MOLONG, Wednesday.

Mr. H. W. Francis, licensee of the Freemason's Hotel, while driving a flighty horse to Cudal yesterday, was thrown out of the buggy, and the wheel passed over one of his legs, shattering the ankle.

ORANGE, Wednesday.

At Lucknow on Saturday a youth, Norman Stibbard, after shoeing a horse, was kicked by the animal on the face, and as a result his jaw was fractured, and he received other injuries.

There are slaves in certain countries at the present time, we're told;
It is years since England freed her's with her wealth;
But every land has thousands now enslaved by coughs and cold,
Or like malignant symptom of ill-health.
The olden form of purchase has proved of no avail
From this modern kind slavedom such to free;
But Woods' Peppermint Cure succeeds, 'tis never known to fail.
It's the wonder of the twentieth century.—Advt.

California Syrup of Figs not only relieves the system of all impurities, but regulates and vitalises the liver, kidneys, and bowels. Its strengthening effects are lasting.—Advt.

NEW ZEALAND POLITICS.

FINANCES OF THE YEAR.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE CUSTOMARY SURPLUS.

WELLINGTON, May 11.

The Acting Premier and Treasurer (Hon. W. Hall-Jones) has disclosed the results of the financial year, which ended on March 31 last—and of course we have the usual surplus, or something approximating the customary balance. The totals have already appeared in the cable news in these columns, but they may be briefly elaborated here. Mr. Hall-Jones says the position in brief is like this:—

Receipts.		
Revenue	£8,399,075	
Sinking fund accretions	66,000	
Other receipts	13,881	
		£8,478,956
Expenditure.		
Permanent charges	£3,038,120	
Annual appropriations	4,736,806	
		£7,774,926
Excess		£704,030
Balance March 31, 1906		788,795
		£1,492,825
Transfer to Public Works fund		775,000
Surplus		£717,825

Details of the revenue under various heads, and of the increases for the 12 months, are as under:—

	Revenue.	Increases.
Customs	£2,941,040	£243,629
Stamps (including Post and Telegraph receipts)	1,365,727	164,464
Land tax	447,342	61,586
Income tax	277,867	36,061
Beer duty	107,382	9,447
Railways	2,621,286	292,978
Registration and other fees	110,444	11,222
Marine	40,891	4,152
Miscellaneous	228,885	31,074
Cash land sales	37,300	} 4,903
Deferred payment, land sales	2,469	
Pastoral runs, rents, etc.	211,180	
Totals	£8,399,075	£814,716

In announcing these figures the Acting Premier said the only decreases were in deferred payment land sales, £11,812. The total increase of £814,716 was a record for the colony. The railway traffic was abnormal, as well as the Customs tariff. This was due to the exhibition. The surplus had exceeded his estimate of £500,000, because he had expected the large works of the year would have kept it down to that figure. During the year he had transferred £775,000 from consolidated revenue to public works, paid the largest transfer of the kind ever made, and redeemed £150,000 of Treasury debentures issued in anticipation of revenue. Next year it was hoped to make still further reductions—clear off Treasury bills altogether. A sinking fund has been established for some of the war loans and other unproductive services, amounting this year to £39,950. For the exhibition, £49,500 had been voted. All this was done out of revenue, and still left a surplus of £717,825.

On the face of it, the above statement makes a brave showing, and is no doubt a high compliment to the industry of the people, but its weakness is that it gives no account of the extra money we owe. For ever since the Liberals came into office, and their Treasurers began to look for surpluses, we have been borrowing with an almost reckless disregard of consequences. The Liberals have piled more than £20,000,000 on to our public debt, and increased our liabilities by several pounds per head of population. In any case, a discrepancy of over £700,000 between revenue and expenditure is an indication of faulty estimating. Even allowing that a surplus of half a million was estimated (though it is not clear why the people should be overtaxed to this extent), we are still faced with the conclusion that the Treasurer now finds himself out in his calculations to the extent of about 10s in the £.

It is 18 months since Ministers—on the eve of an election—promised tariff reform in the direction of a "free breakfast table," yet we now find that Customs taxation has risen in one short year by (in round numbers) a quarter of a million sterling! And at the same time leaders of all shades of opinion are almost appalled at the extreme and ever-increasing cost of living. Then take the railways. The receipts have gone up during the year by nearly £300,000, yet it was asserted at a meeting of a coal company the other day that the output of the company's mine would be increased enormously if the Government would only supply a sufficiency of trucks. Some day the people of this country will ask themselves whether even surpluses may not be too dearly purchased.

THE ANCHORS OF THE DUNBAR.

TASK OF RECOVERING THE RELICS.

As soon as the Premier returns to the city it is proposed to ask him to sanction the expenditure necessary to raise the anchors of the historic passenger ship Dunbar, wrecked almost half a century ago near Jacob's Ladder. The amount required, it is estimated, will not exceed £50, for with favourable weather conditions, the task of recovering the relics will be a comparatively easy one. It is intended first of all to secure the services of a diver to ascertain to what extent the anchors are embedded, and it is quite possible that it will be necessary to blast portion of the rocks in order to release them. Our South Head correspondent yesterday paid a visit to the scene in a skiff, and confirms in every particular the details given on the previous day by the crew of the lifeboat. Both anchors, he reports, as well as a length of cable, are to be plainly seen lying on the bottom, in about 15ft of water. He succeeded in hooking portion of the chain with a grappling iron, but it was buried so securely that he found it impossible to move it in the slightest degree. Operations will only be possible on a perfectly calm day, for, as already stated, the locality is an extremely dangerous one. A proposal was made yesterday to buoy the wreckage, but as the members of the lifeboat crew are confident that they can at any time locate the anchors and chain, the suggestion was not carried into effect. Steps are being taken by many old residents to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the wreck on August 20 next, and it is proposed that the ceremony should include the unveiling of the Dunbar's anchors in some public place.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—A question has arisen as to where the anchors of the Dunbar, when recovered, shall be placed, and Macquarie-place and the Museum have been suggested.

Surely this is one of those instances in which they should be left as near as feasible to the place where they were found. If they are erected exactly opposite the place of the wreck, two advantages will be gained. Firstly, the question which everyone who visits South Head asks—"Where was the Dunbar wrecked?"—will be answered for them. And, secondly, if you can look down from those cliffs and say, "There was the wreck, and here are the very anchors," it doubles and trebles the romantic value of the relics.

I think we are a trifle too fond of deporting our national relics from the place to which they belong. It makes them accessible; but it takes from their value, and it robs posterity in that district. The case of Evans tree is the most recent instance. If that piece of wood—standing, ringbarked, or cut down—possessed any value, nine-tenths of that value came from its connection with the spot on which it stood. It is one thing for visitors or the people of that part (they will both be more numerous as time goes on) to stand overlooking the Lachlan Valley, with Evans' diary in their hands or in their minds, and think—this—this is the spectacle he speaks of, and here at our side are the very initials which he carved with his own hand on that day; and quite another thing to inspect an interesting little piece of wood or scrap iron in the Australian Museum. I am, etc.,

C. E. W. BEAN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Should these be recovered, what finer position could be found than the ornamental rock-work now being formed at the Circular Quay; and may a word in time prevent scrapping off the incrustation said to be covering them? I am, etc.,

APROPOS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The interesting discovery of the anchors of the ill-fated Dunbar has raised the question as to their future resting-place. It seems to me no more suitable site could be desired than opposite the spot where this historic shipwreck occurred, and I would suggest their erection on a stone pedestal, which could be suitably inscribed by giving the date of the disaster and the recovery of the anchors, etc. I am, etc.,

May 15. A. G. FOSTER.

INTERSTATE HIBERNIAN CONFERENCE.

PERTH (W.A.), Wednesday.

At the fourth biennial Interstate Hibernian Conference to-day, delegates from all the States attending, a resolution was adopted offering the Pope the deepest sympathy in the struggle against the anti-Christian legislation of the French Government. The conference expressed confidence in the Irish Parliamentary party, and in the leader, Mr. Redmond, and also the attitude of the Irish party with regard to the Irish Administrative Council Bill.

TASMANIA.

WAGES AND WAGE-EARNERS.

HOBART, Wednesday.

The report supplied by the Royal Commission on the wages and wage-earners of Tasmania has been drawn up. Speaking generally, the Commissioners say there are many trades which employ hands too long for too low pay; but the Commissioners do not offer suggestions to remedy what they look upon as evils. Among other matters that have been reported on were the gratuitous employment of females in dressmaking, millinery, tailoring and clothing establishments from one month to 12 months, and then at 2s 6d a week for the next year. The periodical increases to these workers are considered low and too infrequent. The hours worked by stokers, firemen, and flour millers, who in many cases work 24 hours in two shifts, are strongly condemned. The life journey of these men is described as "all bed and work." Brickmakers, who work alternate weeks of 77 and 81 hours in weeks of seven days, are considered excessively taxed for the amount of pay—viz., £2 4s. The hours of waitresses and housemaids at coffee palaces are looked upon as too many, from 60 to 84 being the general rule, the wages being from 10s to 22s 6d per week and board.

NEW ZEALAND.

BIG FIRE AT HASTINGS.

WELLINGTON, Wednesday.

A big fire occurred among the business premises in Hastings, Hawkes Bay. The insurances total over £14,000.

A SUSPICIOUS ILLNESS.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

Owing to a young woman named Kitchen having died from acute septicaemia, the premises in which she was employed were quarantined to-day, as a precautionary measure. Another woman, engaged at the same place, has developed suspicious symptoms.

NEWCASTLE.

NEWCASTLE HARBOUR.

IMPROVEMENTS PROBABLE.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

In order to obviate as far as possible the delay caused by the congestion of shipping in the harbour, the Premier (Mr. Carruthers) has decided that the proposed improvements to the accommodation shall be put in hand at once. Captain Newton, Superintendent of Navigation, who visited Newcastle last week, has furnished a report, and made certain recommendations which would relieve, to some extent, at any rate, the congested state of the port at busy periods. It is recommended that the wharf from Merewether-street westwards in the basin be immediately proceeded with; that the north harbour be dredged to give deep water and places for mooring vessels; and that three dolphins be constructed on the western side of the channel. Referring to the proposed new wharf, Captain Newton states that after the piles have been driven and while the planking is being done vessels could, if necessary, be moored there.

THE PLATTSBURG FIRE.

At the inquiry held at the Wallsend Police Court into the circumstances of the fire which occured on premises occupied by Claus Betjhe, trading as Carl Baden, watchmaker, in Nelson-street, Plattsburg, on May 2, the Coroner (Mr. C. Hibble) heard further evidence. An open verdict was returned, the Coroner stating that there was no evidence to show whether the fire originated accidentally or otherwise.

COAL AND OTHER EXPORTS.

The following vessels cleared at the Customs-house to-day:—Melbourne, s, for Melbourne, with 1850 tons coal, 20 tons coke, 300 hides, and 2 cases biscuits; Perth, s, for Melbourne, with 2420 tons coal; Ardova, s, for Port Pirie, via Sydney, with 3500 tons coal and 50 tons of bagged clay; Karitane, s, for Strahan, via Kembla, with 230 tons coal and 6 cases biscuits; Camphill, s, for Delagoa Bay, via Sydney, Melbourne, and Hobart, with 13,868 sleepers and 1100 tons bunker coal; Scottish Isles, sh, for Tocapilla, with 3061 tons coal; Marghirita, Italian bq, for Antofagasta, with 1654 tons coal; Rakanoa, s, for Dunedin, via Sydney, with 2950 tons coal.

ASSISTED IMMIGRANTS.

A STEADY STREAM.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Nearly every vessel of the Federal-Houlder-Shire line now brings immigrants for New South Wales and other eastern States, and a most desirable class they appear to be. The steamer Essex, now at Port Adelaide, from Liverpool, has on board 221 passengers, of whom 150 are being assisted to New South Wales. Of these 150 emigrants, fully 75 per cent. are Scotch, and they include miners, farmers, agricultural labourers, and mechanics. In some cases the men were accompanied by their wives and families, but for the most part these have been left behind pending the preparation of homes for them.

ABERMAIN COLLIERY DISPUTE.

EARLY RESUMPTION OF WORK LIKELY.

NEWCASTLE, Wednesday.

A further conference between the Proprietors' Association committee and the officers of the Colliery Employees' Federation was held in Watt-street to-day, when the proposal for the settlement of the dispute—submitted by the management of Abermain colliery and accepted by the men—came under consideration.

The following are the terms of an agreement which was drawn up by the conference: (1) That two men will contract to do the machine work at the tonnage rate under the old agreement; (2) the method of payment to machine men to be such as to secure the rate of pay to the men under the Miners' Accident Relief Fund; (3) any previous machine employee not selected by the contractors to be employed by the company as shooters and fillers; (4) the company are responsible to see that the machine men are paid; (5) apart from these conditions, which are a variation of the agreement, the same basis of employment previous to the mine being laid idle will maintain.

On the suggestion of Mr. Curley, it was agreed that a reserve of machine men be engaged who can be called upon, in the event of any of their mates being absent from sickness or otherwise, to work the machines.

On behalf of the company, Mr. Chapman assented to the above conditions.

It is understood that it is very likely that the mine, after remaining idle for nearly five months, may again be working on Tuesday.

LATE MINING.

COPPER IN TASMANIA.

HOBART, Wednesday.

Yesterday morning the ketch Good Intent sailed from Hobart for Port Davey with a party of prospectors, in charge of Mr. J. V. Vale, mining expert from New South Wales. He has been instructed by the Grenfell Prospecting Syndicate of N.S.W. to furnish a report on a copper lode recently discovered in the vicinity of Port Davey.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.
Victoria.—Overland, 5.30 and 7 p.m.
Queensland.—Overland, 5.45 p.m.
Eden.—Eden, 9 a.m.
Macleay River.—Ramornie, 10 a.m.
Honolulu.—Invertay, 11 a.m.
Manning River.—Rosedale, 11 a.m.
Ballina, Broadwater, and Wardell (R.R.).—City of Grafton, 1 p.m.
Port Macquarie.—Wauchope, 2 p.m.
Port Darwin, Timor, Manila (P.I.), Hongkong, and Japan, via Brisbane.—Aldenham, 3.45 p.m.
Macleay River.—Hastings, 4 p.m.
Port Macquarie.—Pyrmont, 4 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide and Albany.—Anglian, 4.30 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Loongana, 5.30 p.m.
Strahan, Zeehan, and North-west Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Orion, 7 p.m.
Laurieton.—Ellerslie, 8 p.m.

FRIDAY.

Eden.—Bega, 9 a.m.

SATURDAY.

Wellington, etc., N.Z. (direct).—Maheno, noon.
Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio de Janeiro, via Wellington.—Corinthic, noon.
Macleay River and Byron Bay, via Newcastle.—Cavanba, noon.
Brisbane.—Peregrine, 1 p.m.
Nelson's Bay and Tea Gardens.—Hawk, 1 p.m.
Thursday Island, Port Darwin, Zamboanga, Manila (P.I.), Hongkong, and Japan.—Changsha, 1 p.m.
Zamboanga (P.I.) direct.—Lavuan, 2 p.m.
Richmond River.—Brundah, 7 p.m.
Clarence River.—Kyogle, 8 p.m.
Shortland, Solomon Islands, Port Moresby, British New Guinea Ports, Samarai, and Hall Sound, via Brisbane.—R.M.S. Malaita, 8.30 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide and Albany.—Riverina, 9.30 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Loongana, 9.30 p.m.
Strahan, Zeehan, and North-west Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Flora, 9.30 p.m.

MONDAY.

Hobart.—Oonah, 11 a.m.
Eden.—Eden, 1 p.m.
Nambucca Heads and Macksville.—Bockhily, 4 p.m.
Dunedin, etc (N.Z.), via Melbourne.—Warrimoo, 7 p.m.
Hobart, via Melbourne.—Warrimoo, 7 p.m.

COUNTRY NEWS.

GOVERNOR'S VISIT TO COBAR.

COBAR, Wednesday.

The visit of his Excellency Sir Harry Rawson to open the show next week is being looked forward to with much pleasure. The reception committee have had several meetings and have arranged a programme to be carried out during the Governor's stay.

THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.

COWRA, Wednesday.

The Railway Commissioners arrived here yesterday, and a deputation representing local public bodies waited upon them, and asked for a low-level crossing at the goods shed, a raised bank for wheat stacking, a 20-ton weighbridge, reduced fares to country shows, and a loading platform for farm produce about five miles out on the Cowra-Young line. The Commissioners promised to give all these matters careful consideration.

FEDERAL CAPITAL SITE INSPECTION.

QUEANBEYAN, Wednesday.

Senators MacFarlane (Tas.) and Gould (N.S.W.) inspected the proposed Federal capital site at Canberra on Monday.

THE POSITION AT WENTWORTH.

WENTWORTH, Wednesday.

The steamer Corowa, the first regular vessel to travel between Morgan and Wentworth, arrived here this evening, reopening communication, which, however, is only expected to continue for a few weeks, the rise in the river being very slight. The vessel brought up a cargo of general merchandise, and on the return trip took away a considerable quantity of district produce, much of which had been carted from the lower Murray at heavy expense. The distance between Wentworth and Mildura is only 17 miles, but the roads are very heavy. At such times as these the want of railway extension is very severely felt, the price of commodities of everyday use being greatly increased. One local firm alone has paid away several hundred pounds in freight during the past few weeks, the amount being many times in excess of what would otherwise have been paid under the special rate offered by the residents through the local Railway League, in the event of the Mildura line being extended to Wentworth. A bullock team to-day brought several tons of goods for Messrs. Bowring and Co., the freight being 35s per ton over the 17 miles.

AN ADMIRABLE EXAMPLE.

BOWRAVILLE, Wednesday.

A pleasing exhibition of self-help, believed to be unique in the State, has been shown here. Applications had repeatedly been made for telephonic communication between Bowraville and Argent's Hill, and the Postal Department eventually sent an officer to report. The residents met him, and unanimously signed an agreement collectively engaging to provide the poles and do the work of construction free, the department supplying the wire, brackets, and instruments only. The settlers also undertook to keep the line (14 miles) in order without cost to the department. This action is expected to result in the erection of several local lines in the same way, as the other plan of a few residents giving a money guarantee to the Government against departmental loss is considered an unfair tax on two or three.

CLAIM AGAINST A MUNICIPALITY.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

The Mayor announced to-night that E. H. Brown, of the Carlisle Hotel, Newtown, had issued a writ for £500, costs for injuries alleged to have been received during show week owing to a defective footpath. The city solicitor was instructed to enter an appearance.

PROPAGATION OF FISH.

COOMA, Wednesday.

Mr. Farnell states that the railway department has found a very appreciable increase in the returns from the Cooma line since this district has been included in the list of attractive tourist resorts. The matter of distributing indigenous fish has engaged the attention of the board for some considerable time. The history of the fish has been studied and ponds have been established at Prospect, where there will be placed cod and other indigenous fish with a view to artificial propagation. If it proves a success there will be no difficulty in trying the experiment of stocking the eastern waters with them. If success attends the effort it will prove a boon, as then the whole of the waters east of the dividing range will be stocked. Mr. Farnell expects to have a system established by which all persons living within reasonable distance of the railway line will be able to have fresh marine fish daily as a result of trawling. When this is resorted to there will be no necessity for the inland nurseries that exist to-day in the shape of salt water lakes, lagoons, and estuaries. Thus the amateur sportsman and angler will have any amount of sport, and will be able to fish in the lakes which are now dragged. It is estimated that £100 would cover the expense of establishing suitable nursery ponds on the Murrumbidgee River near Cooma.

HOSPITALS.

BRAIDWOOD, Wednesday.

A ball at Jembaicumbene in aid of the Braidwood Hospital netted over £15.

ORANGE, Wednesday.

A fund is being created to furnish new wards at the hospital to be named "the Gordon wing," after General Gordon, commanding the New South Wales Military Forces, who gave the committee valuable assistance to erect the buildings. The monogram of the Royal Australian Artillery will be mounted in the wards in recognition of the aid rendered by A Battery. So far liberal offers of assistance have been received.

BERRY, Wednesday.

Mr. J. C. Timms, council clerk of Berry, council clerk of Broughton Vale, and secretary of the Woodhill Dairy Company, has been appointed clerk of the Gunning Shire Council. Alderman Gillam (Mayor of Berry) resigned, and has been appointed council clerk. Mr. W. Noakes has been elected Mayor. Mr. W. E. Turnbull has been appointed council clerk of Broughton Vale, and Mr. Frederick Wells has been appointed secretary of the Woodhill Dairy Company.

BATEMAN'S BAY, Wednesday.

Mr. Thomas Milton, son of Captain Milton, pilot at Bateman's Bay, died this morning. Deceased had been suffering for years from a wasting disease, brought on by exposure while capsized outside some years ago. He and the pilot, and another man being on the keel of the capsized craft for 24 hours. He leaves a widow and three children.

CASINO, Wednesday.

Arthur H. Meston, charged with stealing a bullock, was committed for trial at Lismore Quarter Sessions on May 24, bail being allowed, himself in £80, and one surety in £80. Bernard Muldoon was charged with stealing a steer, the property of H. B. Christie, Braemar station. He reserved his defence, and was committed for trial also, bail being allowed. The cases created great interest, and occupied the Bench several days.

LITHGOW, Wednesday.

Mr. Robert Crawford, who recently retired from the position of stationmaster at Eskbank, after 27 years' service, has been presented by the members of the station staff with a gold-mounted walking-stick, suitably inscribed. The presentation was made by the district inspector, Mr. Culnane.

The Premier has announced that the Government has arranged with the Lithgow Valley Company, Ltd., to grant leases in perpetuity to occupiers on the Government road running through M'Kellar's paddock at a nominal rental. The matter is now being considered by the tenants.

LISMORE, Wednesday.

The Police Magistrate said to-day that in conducting courts in future he would not have persons in custody placed in the dock, unless they were dangerous or charged with the most serious offences.

MURWILLUMBAH, Wednesday.

Thirty kanakas left Cudgen on Monday for Brisbane, en route to the islands. The boys said they were pleased to revisit the islands, but also stated that they would like to return.

PORTLAND, Wednesday.

A lecture was delivered here by Mr. J. E. Carne, F.G.S., Assistant Government Geologist, under the auspices of the Portland District Parents and Citizens' Association, on "The Progress of Life on the Earth." The lecture was illustrated by diagrams and lantern views, and listened to with the utmost interest by a crowded audience.

A meeting was held on Monday night for the purpose of making arrangements to suitably celebrate Empire Day.

WOLLONGONG, Wednesday.

A communication has been received from the Attorney-General stating that the application made by the jurors at the recent Quarter Sessions to be paid for a full day when summoned, whether they sat on a case or not, could not be entertained. The jurors complained that they were compelled to wait all day at the court, although only, in some instances, being called upon to sit for half a day, for which time they received payment.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

The following were the prize winners in a handicap competition of the Goulburn Rifle Club (seven shots at 500 and 600 yards):—H. G. Wright, 4, 69; J. Cooper, 7, 70; G. Crandwell, 12, 72; T. Holleau, 11, 71; W. James, 8, 69; R. Taylor, 5, 66; W. Phillips, 9, 68; C. Taylor, 11, 67; G. M'Dougall, 16, 70.

For Influenza and Colds in the Head. Woods' Great Peppermint Cure. 1s 6d.—Advt.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—May 15.

Maheno, s, 3282 tons, Captain R. Neville, from Wellington. Passengers—Misses Robinson, Walker, Illingworth, Tuman, Gibson, Spaven, Edwards, King (3), Hendey, Brodie, Rapter (2), McCormack, Darragh, O'Driscoll, Clifford (2), Wilding, Keating, Cobden, Murphy, Harvey, Fergus, Kinna, Loma, English, McCormick, Wilding, Marks, Stewart, Thompson, Coombe, Hughes, Manson (2), Field, Olive, Le Strange, Bussell, Bligh, Moore, Clase; Mesdames Morrison and infant and nurse, Bywater and child, Ford, Newman, Holmes and child, Delaney, Spaven, Leslie, Ried, Lawrence, Clifford, Simmons, Harvey, Lane, Picklin and 2 children, Powell and child, Beaglehall and 2 children, Beale, Burgess, Pattison and child, Samuel, Morrison, Kurrell, Divan, Knight, Fisher, La Trobe, Richardson, Kebbell and child, Johnston, Pearce, Davidson and maid, Hughes, Manson, Finnemore, Hays, Macneil, Thier, Zech, Stephens, Chase, Hailey; Messrs. Morrison, Zachariah, Taylor, Ford, Harper, Bywater, Paterson, Hamilton, Kerr, Grauhen, Orr, Newman, Ryan, Gilchrist, Holmes, Luttrell, Beck, Topham, Captain Emslie, Cowles, McCoy, Spaven, McKellar, Todder, Clifford, Simmons, Smith, Snow, Richards, Davies, Nahle, Fitzgerald, Russell, Cape, Lynch, Renno, Benham, Sinclair, Tait (2), Birch, Jiedle, Wilson, Beaglehall, Briggs, Hyams, Troy, Grace, Reade, Burgess, Fore, Lawrence, Naton, Kidd, Abercrombie, Matthews, Hurrell, Sutton, Henderson, Divan, Knight, Jeffries, Fischr, O'Donnell, Richardson, Ingleton, Ford, Peck, Kebbell, Johnston, Davidson, Campbell, Hughes, McKaig, Richmond, McLean, Veirs, Green, Hays, Murray, Koch, Macneil, Zech, Illingworth, Beale, Arnott, Piper, McPhail, King, Beatie, Allison, Stewart, Hailey, Revs. Wallace, Allanson, Newlan, Major Long, and 208 in the steerage. F. W. Jackson, agent.

South Australian, s, 716 tons, Captain Davidson, from Wallis Island, Futuna, Rotumah and Levuka. H. Fisher, agent.

Changsha, s, 2399 tons, Captain Eedy, from Melbourne. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Invertay, s, 2974 tons, Captain Houghton, from Newcastle, en route to Honolulu. Earp Bros. and Co., agents.

Namoi, s, 1414 tons, Captain Nillsen, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Bellinger, s, 229 tons, Captain Hunt, from Camden Haven. Allen Taylor and Co., Limited, agents.

Tomoana, s, 5987 tons, Captain Canty, from Wanganui (N.Z.). Tyser and Co., agents.

Riverina, s, 4758 tons, Captain Wyllie, from Newcastle. Huddart, Parker and Co. Proprietary, Limited, agents.

Ramornie, s, 546 tons, Captain Charles Beach, from Macleay River. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Trilby, s, 129 tons, Captain J. Richards, from Port Macquarie. Alex. Kethel and Co., agents.

Wauchope, s, 209 tons, Captain F. W. Merrett, from Port Macquarie. N. Cain's Coastal Co-operative S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

City of Grafton, s, 825 tons, Captain W. B. Nelson, from Richmond River. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Coolgardie, s, 2542 tons, Captain H. Strom, from Fremantle, Adelaide, and Melbourne. Burns, Philp, and Co., Ltd., agents.

Burrawong, s, 391 tons, Captain C. M'Intyre, from Bellinger River. North Coast S. N. Company, Ltd., agents.

Moruya, s, 568 tons, Captain Canty, from Moruya. Illawarra and South Coast S. N. Company, Ltd., agents.

Century, s, 4230 tons, Captain Robertson, from Newcastle. Howard Smith Company, Ltd., agents.

Tuncurry, s, 102 tons, Captain P. F. O'Beirne, from Cape Hawke, via Newcastle. Allen Taylor and Co., Ltd., agents.

Ellerslie, s, 232 tons, Captain Anderson, from Macleay River. Allen Taylor and Co., Ltd., agents.

Macleay, s, 397 tons, Captain M'Laughlin, from Richmond River. North Coast S. N. Company, Ltd., agents.

DEPARTURES.—May 15.

Bielefeld, s, for Hamburg, via ports.
Zealandia, s, for Auckland.
Vancouver, s, for Brisbane.
Westralia, s, for Hobart.
Moorabool, s, for Melbourne, via Newcastle.
Linda Fell, s, for Port Pirie, via Newcastle.
Karori, s, for Launceston, via Newcastle.
Maheno, s, for Newcastle.
Muriel, s, for Townsville.
Suva, s, for Fiji, via Noumea.
Riverina, s, for Fremantle, via Melbourne and ports.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—May 16.

Aldenham, s, for Manila, China, and Japan, via ports; Campbell, s, for South Africa, via Melbourne; Harburg, s, for Continent, via Townsville and Java ports; Gracchus, s, for Colombo, Madras, and Calcutta; Erina, s, for Gosford, Woy Woy, and Brisbane Water; Woy Woy, s, for Newport and Bayview; Ripple, s, for Moruya, Bateman's Bay, and Nelligen; Moruya, s, for Moruya (direct), Narooma, and Wagonga; Rosedale, s, for Manning River; Ramornie, s, for Macleay River; Hastings, s, for Macleay River (all parts); City of Grafton, s, for Richmond River; Wauchope, s, for Port Macquarie, Hastings and Wilson Rivers; Pyrmont, s, for Port Macquarie, Hastings and Wilson Rivers; Newcastle, s, for Newcastle; Ellerslie, s, for Camden Haven, Kew; Kendall, and Camboyne; Tuncurry, s, for Cape Hawke, Forster, Wallambe River, Nabiac, Krambach, and Coolongolook.

CLEARANCES.—May 15.

Zealandia, s, 2771 tons, Captain G. F. Entwisle, for Auckland. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. A. Wilkes, Mr. and Mrs. O. Courtney, Mr. and Mrs. Walklate, nurse, and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. T. Stagpoole, Mr. and Mrs. A. Stagpoole, Mr. and Mrs. Paterson and 3 children, Mesdames Dunnett, N. C. Petrie, Potter and child, E. Leyden, Morris and boy, Misses E. Robertson, Potter, Milburn, Harkness, Bassett, Staines, Messrs. J. W. Kettlewell, J. Butler, Roberts, Gunson, M'Laughlin, F. M. Carr, T. Marquardt, R. Y. Russell, E. A. O'Keefe, G. N. Baymaker, Dunnett, E. J. Storer, J. E. Friend, E. J. Funnell, D. Harvey, A. B. Goold, and 41 in the steerage.

Muriel, s, 69 tons, Captain C. A. Ries, for Townsville.

Linda Fell, 3025 tons, Captain Scimes, for Port Pirie, via Newcastle.

Maheno, s, 3282 tons, Captain Neville, for Wellington, via Newcastle.

Vancouver, s, 4419 tons, Captain Dougall, for Brisbane.

Maroro, scow, 230 tons, Captain Cain, for Wanganui, via Newcastle.

Westralia, s, 2884 tons, Captain Dunsford, for Hobart.

Bielefeld, s, 5104 tons, Captain Bachr, for Hamburg, via ports.

IMPORTS.—May 15.

Maheno, s, from Wellington: 105 bls flax, 158 bgs hides, 232 cs fish, 196 sks fungus, 100 cs meats, 30 csks pelts, 23 cs milk, 57 sks peas, 73 sks grass seed, 22 sks linseed, 500 bgs copper ore, 16 drms ammonia, also large quantity of returned exhibits and sundries.

EXPORTS.—May 15.

Bielefeld, s, for Hamburg: 1998 bls wool, 14 csks casings, 25 cs eucalyptus, 70 bgs g. bark, 30 cs tinned butter, 10,860 brs lead, 1000 tons zinc concentrates, 200 bgs silver lead ash, 8170 bgs copra, 130 bgs zinc ash, 20 cylinders, 79 bgs feathers, 25 bls leather, 300 brls coconut oil, 162 bgs antimony ore, 190 cs types trimmings, 400 ingots brass, 4000 bgs oil cake, 450 bgs gum, 100 bgs grass seed, 10 tons wolfram ore, quantity of timber, and number of sundries.

Customs-house.—Entered outwards: May 15, Defiance, bqtne, for Auckland, via Newcastle; Changsha, s, for Manila, China, and Japan, via northern ports; Maheno, s, for Wellington.

MOVEMENTS OF MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Oruba, from London, bound to Sydney, arrived at Melbourne at 1.40 p.m. yesterday from Adelaide.

The R.M.S. Britannia, from London, bound to Sydney, arrived at Fremantle at 7.40 a.m. yesterday from Colombo.

The R.M.S. India, from Sydney, bound to London, is due at Adelaide to-day from Melbourne.

The R.M.S. Aorangi, from Sydney, bound to Vancouver, arrived at Brisbane at 10.15 a.m. yesterday.

The F.M.S. Nera, from Marseilles, bound to Sydney and Noumea, arrived at Adelaide at 3 p.m. yesterday.

PASSENGERS BY THE ALDENHAM.

The following is a list of the passengers by the E. and A. Company's mail steamer Aldenham, which will be despatched from Sydney at noon to-day, for Manila, China, and Japan, via ports:—

Mr. T. G. Arnfield, Mr. F. Beach, Major Beach, Mr. R. K. Bowden, M.P., Mr. A. S. Clark, Mr. D. M. Carmen, Mrs. D. M. Carmen, Mr. Wilson le Couteur, Mr. C. Freer, Mrs. Flynn and two children, Mr. W. Gallagher, Mr. C. D. Hicks, Mrs. C. D. Hicks, Mr. W. E. Johnson, M.P., Mr. F. Kirkpatrick, Miss Kirkpatrick, Mr. Langman, Miss McWaters, Mr. McDonald, M.P., Mr. J. McN. Martin, Mr. W. T. R. Preston, Mrs. W. T. R. Preston, Mr. W. Reece, Mrs. J. Strachan, Mr. Sayers, Mrs. F. Kirkpatrick, Mr. J. Wood, Mr. R. J. S. Wright, Mrs. Styles and 2 children.

THE EMPIRE DUE TO-MORROW.

Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co., agents for the E. and A. S.S. Company, have received telegraphic advices of the departure of the steamer Empire from Brisbane, at 4 p.m. yesterday, en route from Japan and Hongkong, bound to Sydney. She is therefore due here about 8 a.m. to-morrow, and should berth at the company's wharf, Circular Quay, at 10 a.m.

THE GOWANBURN LEAVES NEW YORK.

A cable message was yesterday received by Mr. G. A. Parkes, the local representative of the United States and Australasian S.S. Company, notifying the departure of the steamer Gowanburn, with a full cargo of general merchandise from New York, on Sunday last, 12th inst., for Melbourne, Sydney, and New Zealand ports.

THE SOFALA STILL OFF THE HEADS.

The British four-masted barque Sofala, in ballast, from Caleta Coloso, which has been in the vicinity of Sydney Heads for the past five days awaiting instructions from her owners, came close in again yesterday, but the master was informed that no reply had yet been received to the cable despatched on Friday last.

Captain Auld, upon being spoken to, said that the Sofala sailed from Caleta Coloso on February 30 last, and that fine weather conditions were experienced all the way across. The Sofala was off Sydney Heads 10 days ago, the voyage having then occupied 68 days, but before he had an opportunity of signalling the port the recent severe southerly gales sprang up, and the Sofala was driven northwards as far as Crowdy Heads. When the weather moderated the Sofala made for the south, and arrived off the Heads again on Friday last, and asked for orders.

The Sofala is said to be very foul, and it is probable that she will be towed into port for docking. A reply by cable from the owners is expected this morning.

ROUGH TRIP OF THE MAHENO.

The turbine steamer Maheno, of the fleet of the Union S.S. Company of N.Z., which sailed from Wellington at 7 o'clock on Saturday evening last, arrived at Sydney after a rough trip across the Tasman Sea, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. The commander Captain R. Neville, reports having experienced strong south-west winds and rough seas until Monday evening, and afterwards fine weather to arrival. During yesterday afternoon the Maheno proceeded to Newcastle to replenish her coal bunkers.

THE BAR HARBOURS.

The following reports were received yesterday from the coastal harbours:—Ballina, 12ft on bar, 14ft on inside channel; South-west Rocks, 13ft on bar; Cape Hawke, 8ft on bar; Clarence Heads, 14ft 9in on bar, with 3ft 5in rise, 14ft 9in on crossing, with 2ft 9in rise.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

COOKTOWN (1550 miles).—Dep: May 14, Moresby, s, for Port Moresby; Airlie, s, for Sydney.

TOWNSVILLE (1270 miles).—Arr: May 15, Wyandra, s, from Sydney.

ROCKHAMPTON (920 miles).—Arr: May 15 Tinana, s, from Brisbane. Dep: May 15, Warrego, s, for Brisbane.

KEPPEL BAY (877 miles).—Dep: May 15, Aramac, s, for Sydney.

GLADSTONE (802 miles).—Dep: May 15, Bingera, s, for Brisbane.

BRISBANE (500 miles).—Arr: May 15, Tay, s, from Maryborough; Aorangi, R.M.S., from Sydney; Chris-

tian Michelsen, s, from Melbourne. Dep: May 15, Empire, s, for Sydney; Star of New Zealand, s, for London; Bombala, s, for Sydney; Maranoa, s, for Burketown; Nerong, s, for Richmond River.

TWEED HEADS (374 miles).—Arr: May 15, Friendship, s, at 8.50 a.m., from Sydney. Dep: May 15, Duroby, s, at 9.45 a.m., for Sydney. Passed: May 15, a large 2-m. str., at 8.10 a.m., south.

RICHMOND RIVER HEADS (331 miles).—Dep: May 15, St. George, s, at 10.30 a.m., Brundah, s, at 10.30 a.m., both for Sydney.

CLARENCE HEADS (296 miles).—Dep: May 15, Kyogle, s, at 10.30 a.m., for Sydney. Passed: May 15, St. George, s, at 1.45 p.m., south.

WOOLGOOLGA (254 miles).—Passed: May 15, Wollowra, s, at 10.40 a.m., Brundah, s, at 3 p.m., Bunin-yong, s, at 5 p.m., both south; Wodonga, s, at 5 p.m., north.

BELLINGER (230 miles).—Dep: May 14, Burrawong, s, at 9 p.m., Phil Forbes, ktch, at 9.45 p.m., both for Sydney.

NAMBUCCA HEADS (222 miles).—Arr: May 15, Alpha, sch, at 10.10 a.m. Dep: May 15, Wave, ktch, at 9.40 a.m., for Sydney.

SOUTH-WEST ROCKS (200 miles).—Dep: May 14, Ellerslie, s, at 6 p.m., for Sydney; Burunda, tug, and Alpha, sch, during night.

SMOKY CAPE (205 miles).—Passed: May 15, Durambah, s, at 1 p.m., north; Burunda, tug, at 2 p.m., south.

PORT MACQUARIE (174 miles).—Dep: May 15, Wauchope, s, at 8.15 p.m., for Sydney. May 15, Pyrmont, s, at 9.45 a.m., for Sydney.

TACKING POINT (169 miles).—Passed: May 15, Nymboida, s, at 8.30 a.m., Wyoming, s, at 1 p.m., Kooraga, s, at 2.35 p.m. Kallatina, s, at 3 p.m., Noorebar, s, at 3.25 p.m., one of Shire liners, at 4.30 p.m., Tomki, s, at 5.45 p.m., all north; Wollowra, s, at 5.40 p.m., south.

CROWDY HEAD (147 miles).—Passed: May 15, Rockley, s, at 5.10 p.m., north; Pyrmont, s, at 1.15 p.m., Cavanba, s, at 4.25 p.m., both south.

MANNING HEADS (144 miles).—Arr: May 15, Marion Mayfield, s, at 8.10 a.m.; Corra Lynn, s, at 4.30 p.m. Dep: May 15, Narooma, s, at 8.22 a.m., Rosedale, s, at 10.15 a.m., both for Sydney.

CAPE HAWKE (123 miles).—Arr: May 15, Marion Mayfield, s, at 7.40 p.m. Dep: May 14, Tuncurry, s, at 10 p.m., for Sydney.

SEAL ROCKS (109 miles).—Passed: May 15, a large steamer at 6.50 a.m., south; Dorrigo, s, at 3.30 p.m., Cooloon, s, at 4.25 p.m., both north; a barque and ship at 3.30 p.m., both to east.

PORT STEPHENS (83 miles).—Passed: May 15, Wauchope, s, at 6.45 a.m., City of Grafton, s, at 9.23 a.m., like Ellerslie, s, at 10.30 a.m., Rosedale, s, at 5.30 p.m., Burrawong, s, at 1.10 p.m., like Macleay, s, at 1.45 p.m., Williams, s, at 2.25 p.m., barque in tow at 3.30 p.m., Narooma, s, at 4.20 p.m., all south; Howard Smith steamer at 6.15 a.m., north.

NEWCASTLE (62 miles).—Arr: May 15, Cedarbank, bq, from the West Coast; Perth, s, Derwent, s, Noorebar, s, Euroka, s, Newcastle, s, Lubra, s, Dorrigo, s, Cooloon, s, Karitane, s, Karori, s, Maheno, s, Murray, s, Helen Nicoll, s, Civility, s, Sophia Ann, s, Magdalene, s, Moorabool, s, all from Sydney; Tuncurry, s, from Cape Hawke; Williams, s, from Port Stephens. Dep: May 15, Changsha, s, Riverina, s, Derwent, s, Tuncurry, s, Sophia Ann, s, Lubra, s, Civility, s, all for Sydney; Noorebar, s, Dorrigo, s, both for Byron Bay; Cooloon, s, for Tweed River; Hazel Craig, bq, James Craig, bq, both for New Zealand; Fazilka, s, for Melbourne, Century, s, for Fremantle; Melbourne, s, for Melbourne; Kincumber, s, for Manning River.

CATHERINE HILL BAY (48 miles).—Dep: May 15, Illaroo, s, at 8 a.m., for Sydney.

BELLAMBI (41 miles).—Arr: May 15, Malaita, s, at 6 a.m., from Sydney.

WOLLONGONG (44 miles).—Arr: May 15, Illawarra, s, at 2 a.m., Kurrara, s, at 1 p.m., Governor Blackall, s, at 1.30 p.m., Beagle, s, at 4 p.m., all from Sydney. Dep: May 15, Kurrara, s, at 5 p.m., for Sydney.

PORT KEMBLA (48 miles).—Dep: May 15, Chillagoe, s, at 3.45 p.m., for Melbourne.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS (74 miles).—Arr: May 15, Peterborough, s, at 8.20 a.m., from Sydney.

JERVIS BAY (87 miles).—Passed: May 15, Moruya, s, at 7.40 a.m., Coolgardie, s, at 2.20 p.m., both north; Melbourne Company's steamer at 12.25 p.m., Illawarra, s, at 3.25 p.m., both south.

BATEMAN'S BAY (134 miles).—Arr: May 15, Ripple, s, at 12.40 p.m., from Moruya.

MORUYA HEADS (141 miles).—Passed: May 15, like Time, s, at 12.15 p.m., north.

BERMAGUI (169 miles).—Dep: May 15, Bega, s, at 5.15 p.m., for Sydney.

GREEN CAPE (218 miles).—Passed: May 15, a steamer with like yellow funnel, with black top, at 7 a.m., a steamer with white funnel with black top at 10.30 a.m., a steamer with black funnel with two white bands at 10.5 a.m., all south; Wonga Fell, s, at 11.15 a.m., north.

MELBOURNE (576 miles).—Arr: May 15, Loongana, s, from Launceston; Centurion, oil yacht, from Sydney; Oruba, R.M.S., from London; H.M.S. Psyche, from Sydney. Dep: May 15, Peregrine, s, for Townsville; Hobart, s, and Anglian, s, both for Fremantle; Mokoia, s, for Hobart; Perfect, Norwegian bq, for Bruny Island; Yawata Maru, J.M.S., for Japan; Loongana, s, for Launceston.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY (426 miles).—Passed, outward: May 15, supposed one of R. I. Company's steamers, at 1.25 a.m.

HOBART (648 miles).—Arr: May 15, H.J.R., ktch, at 11 a.m., from Melbourne. Dep: May 14, Oonah, s, at midnight, for Sydney.

LOW HEAD (509 miles).—Dep: May 15, Wollomai, brig, at 4.40 p.m., for Adelaide; Coogee, s, at 5 p.m., for Melbourne.

DEVONPORT (498 miles).—Dep: May 15, Flora, s, at 2.15 p.m., for Melbourne, via Burnie.

MACQUARIE HEADS (Tas.).—Arr: May 15, Kawatiri, s, at 10.35 p.m., from Melbourne. Dep: May 15, Kawatiri, s, at 12.30 p.m., for Melbourne.

STRAHAN (Tas.).—Dep: May 15, Kakapo, s, at 1 p.m., for Sydney.

ADELAIDE (1084 miles).—Arr: May 15, Nera, F.M.S., from Marseilles; Corio, s, from Newcastle. Dep: May 15, Nera, F.M.S., for Melbourne; Geelong, s, for Melbourne.

WALLAROO.—Arr: May 15, New Guinea, s, and Time, s.

PORT PIRIE (1298 miles).—Arr: May 15, Goodwin, s, from Albury. Dep: May 15, Era, s, for Sydney.

FREMANTLE (2466 miles).—Arr: May 15, Britannia, R.M.S., at 7.40 a.m., from London. Dep: May 11, Burrumbeet, s, at 11.10 p.m., Grantala, s, at 1 p.m., both for eastern States.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

AUCKLAND (1281 miles).—Arr: May 15, Frankdale, s, from Sydney.

KAIPARA.—Dep: May 15, Ururoa, scow, for Sydney.

WELLINGTON (1239 miles).—Arr: May 15, Waimarape, s, from Newcastle; Moeraki, s, from Sydney. Dep: May 15, Arawa, s, for London.

BLUFF (1107 miles).—Dep: May 15, Maori, s, for London.

FIJI SHIPPING.

SUVA (1743 miles).—Dep: May 15, Navua, s, for Sydney, en route from Auckland, Tonga, and Samoa; Ranadi, Government despatch steamer, on a cruise.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Wednesday.

Average rainfall for 48 years, 48.090.
Average for 49 years, Jan. 1 to April 30, 18.932.
Total rainfall from Jan. 1, 1907, to May 15, 15.548.
Total for corresponding period last year, 9.216.
Temperatures: Maximum, 69.1; minimum, 51.2; 9 p.m., 61.2.
Barometer.—9 a.m., 30.268; 3 p.m., 30.299; 9 p.m., 30.334.
Humidity: 9 a.m., 93; 3 p.m., 73; 9 p.m., 88.

BAROMETER READINGS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 30.06; Geraldton, 30.13; Perth, 30.18; Esperance Bay, 30.20; Eucla, 30.23; Streaky Bay, 30.31; Adelaide, 30.29; Robe, 30.27; Portland, 30.24; Melbourne, 30.33; Wilson's Promontory, 30.31; Cape St. George, 30.22; Sydney, 30.37; Newcastle, 30.38; Port Macquarie, 30.44; Clarence Heads, 30.35; Brisbane, 30.31; Rockhampton, 30.19; Mackay, 30.12; Cooktown, 29.98.

RAINFALL.

New South Wales (for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.).—Byron Bay 10 points, Camden Haven 10, Casino 16, Clarence 12, Grafton 8, Kempsey 3, Manning Heads 3, Nambucca 11, Port Macquarie 16, Tabulam 12, Tenterfield 5, Tweed Heads 17, Woolgoolga 11.

Additional report at 6 p.m.: Port Macquarie, 4 points.

SCOPE OF RAINFALL.

New South Wales.—Light on coastal parts north of Manning River Heads; also on extreme north of northern tableland.

SYNOPSIS.

New South Wales (for 24 hours ended 9 a.m.).—The showery conditions on north coast extended last night as far southwards as Manning River Heads; also over the extreme northern parts of northern tableland; otherwise fine weather ruled generally. Fogs and frosts occurred last night at many places in the central and southern coast and tablelands.

Victoria.—Overcast in west and south-west districts; elsewhere fine; frosts inland.

South Australia.—Overcast throughout.

Western Australia.—Fine and clear throughout.

Tasmania.—Fine but cloudy throughout.

Northern Territory.—Fine but cloudy to fine and clear.

Queensland.—Cloudy along the seaboard.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 9 P.M.

Tweed Heads, ESE, fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Byron Bay, calm, cloudy, sea smooth; Ballina, SE, fresh, showery, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, SE, moderate, cloudy, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, SE, light, showery, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, SE, light, fine, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, SE, light, fine, sea smooth; Port Macquarie, calm, cloudy, sea smooth; Manning Heads, calm, cloudy, sea slight; Seal Rocks, NNE, light, cloudy, sea smooth; Port Stephens, NNE, light, cloudy, sea smooth; Newcastle, NE, moderate, cloudy, sea smooth; Lake Macquarie Heads, NE, fresh, cloudy, sea slight; Catherine Hill Bay, NE, fine, sea slight; Barranjoey, NE, light, fine, sea slight; Wollongong, N, light, fine, sea smooth; Kiama, calm, fine, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, NE, fresh, fine, hazy, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, NE, fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Ulladulla, NE, light, fine, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, calm, fine, sea smooth; Moruya, E, light, fine, sea smooth. Eden, NE, light, cloudy, sea smooth; Gabo Island, interrupted; Green Cape, calm, dull, hazy, sea smooth.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Showers continuing on north coast and northern tableland. Elsewhere temporarily fine, but conditions developing favourable to rain, associated with thunder over Barwon tributaries and western districts, extending later eastwards. Variable winds, chiefly E to NE.—A. Noble.

Victoria.—Fine, partially cloudy or foggy; light variable winds inland; north-westerly to westerly on coast; sea slight.—P. Baracchi.

South Australia.—Mostly cloudy and in places unsettled, but no immediate prospects of a general change; light variable winds.—R. F. Griffiths.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR MAY 16.

Sun rises at 6.40, sets at 5.2; Moon 9.34 a.m., 7.6 p.m.; Mercury 5.50 a.m., 4.37 p.m.; Venus 4.4 a.m., 2.55 p.m.; Mars 8.27 p.m., 11.51 a.m.; Jupiter 10.18 a.m., 8.2 p.m.; Saturn 2.57 a.m., 2.24 p.m.

Full Moon, May 28.

High water at Fort Denison 10.43 a.m., 11.4 p.m.

QUEENSLAND RAINFALLS.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The principal rainfalls during the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. to-day were:—

North-eastern Division: Bloomsbury 20 points, Bowen 28; Cooktown 46; Flat Top Island 102, Geraldton 40, Mackay 80, Mirani 25, Proserpine 120, Millchester 25.

Central Division: Miriam Vale 36 points, Rosedale 48.

Southern Division: Childers 10 points, Cooran 14, Eumundi 16, Gympie 13, Isis Junction 14, Kenilworth 32, Mapleton 33, Mount Perry 20, Nambour 18, Nerang 22, Oxenford 40, Palmwoods 22, Woombye 32, Yandina 40.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

Business was not particularly active on 'Change yesterday. Bank of New South Wales shares improved 2s 6d, Port Jackson Steam 2s, and East Greta Coal 3d, other sales being at late rates.

The following sales were reported:—Morning: North Coast Steam, 25s 6d; Port Jackson Steam, 93s. Afternoon: Bank of New South Wales, £51 5s; Port Jackson Steam, 93s. Later: East Greta Coal, 23s 9d.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital Paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div. per annum.	Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	Yield to Investor.
GOVT. STOCK.				£	£	£	£	p.c.
N.S.W. F.S. due 1912	4,006,792	...	...	3	89	...	90	...
Do., due 1919	1,250,175	...	...	3½	99½	98	...	3½
Ins., due 1912	2,549,550	...	...	4	101½	101½	...	3½
Do., due 1924-5	...	...	...	4	92	98	...	3½
Do., due 1915	...	...	...	3½	99½	99	...	3½
Do., due 1921	...	...	...	3½	99½	99	...	3½
Do., Act 1873	880,189	...	...	4	107	109	112	3½
Do., 4 p.c., due 1907-33	880,000	...	...	4	100½	99½	...	4
Do., due 1909	...	...	...	4	100½	100	...	4
Do., Deb. 1908	...	...	...	4	...	100	...	...
Do., T. Bills, 1908	1,199,700	...	...	3½	100	99½	...	3½
Ditto	203,000	...	...	4	100½	100	...	4
N.Z. 4s., 1909	300,000	...	...	4	104	101½	103	4
N.Z. Deb., 1918	...	...	...	4	...	101	...	...
Do., 1921	...	...	...	4	...	101	103	...
Queensland deb., 1915	...	...	...	4	99½	101½	...	3½
Do., Tr. Bills	850,000	...	...	4	102	100½	...	3½
W.A. Inscr.	...	...	...	4	101/3/6	100½	...	3½
Austrln. Gen. Deb., 1922	500,000	...	...	4	102	101	106	4½
City Sydney Deb.	200,000	...	...	4	102	102	...	3½
Do., 1908	100,000	...	...	4	102	103	...	3½
Col. Sugar D. 1914	...	...	...	5	109	107	...	4½
Clifton, deb.	...	...	...	...	...	93	...	...
BANKS.								
Aust. J. S.	154,926	21	1	14	164	160	164½	5½
Austrlasia	1,600,000	40	40	14	164	160	104½	5½
City	240,300	10	6	2½	70/	68/	71/	3½
New	166,300	10	6	2½	68/	...	69/	3½
Commercial of Aust.	94,882	10/	10/	...	15/6	...	16/	...
Ditto, pref.	2,117,290	10	10	3	6/5/	...	6½	4½
Com. Fed. or Do. rights	1,000,000	25	12½	10	33	29½	30½	4½
Do. rights	...	...	...	...	...	11	14½	...
E. of Aust.	1,198,446	8	8	4	95/	99/	...	...
Ditto, pref.	303,780	16	16	4	11/3/	11½	...	...
N.S.W.	2,000,000	20	20	10	51½	51½	51½	4½
N. Zealand	427,318	6⅔	3⅓	5	10½	10	10½	4½
N. Queensl'd	100,000	7	2	...	21	22 6	...	...
Q'sland Nat.	413,063	3	3	...	23	...	...	...
Roy'l of Q.	437,618	9	6⅔	8½	95/ne?	...	100/	4
Union	1,500,000	75	25	14	59½	60	...	5½
DEPOSIT'S.								
A.J.S. Bk.—Class B	...	...	...	8	15/	15.	15/8	4½
Ditto, 1912	...	...	...	...	...	17/	18/	...
Class B, 1917	...	...	...	...	18/1½	18/3	...	...
Do., Inscr.	755,053	...	...	3½	18/6	18/3	18/9	4½
Ban. of Aus.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Assets	3,834,903	...	...	3	17/3	17/6	...	4
E.S.A., Inscr. pref.	808,419	...	...	3	18/3	13/	18/6	4½
Do., Def.	806,758	...	...	4½	18/10	18/3	...	4½
Do., Deb.	983,547	...	...	...	18/	18/9	...	4½
Q. Nat.*	8,118,621	...	...	3½	17/1½	16/9	17/	4½
STEAM.								
Bal. Ferry	30,000	1	1	10	41/	40/3	...	4½
Illawarra ††	49,797	1	15/	7	25/	25/6	...	4½
How'd Smith 20s paid	250,000	20/	20/	10/	24/8	23/9	...	8½
Do., 5s pd.	...	...	...	...	7/	1b/	...	4½
Pref. 20s paid	...	20	20/	5	20/8	20/	21/	4½
Ditto, 5s pd.	...	...	...	...	5/8	5/8	...	4½
Newcastle	100,000	1	1	6	24 8	24/	24/9	5
N'th Coast	151,250	1	17/6	8	25/6	25/4½	25/9	6½
Do., new	...	1	17/6	...	21/6	24/9	...	...
Syd. Ferries	160,000	1	1	10	58/	58/	...	3½
Ditto, new	...	1	10/	...	50/	48/6	...	...
Pt. Jackson	25,000	25	25/	10	93/	92.6	...	2½
Ditto, deb.	8,745	1	1	5	26/	25/	...	2
INSURANCE.								
A.M. Fire ++	62,500	1	12/6	14?	48/	45/	48/	4½
Mer. Mut.	45,000	1	6/	17?	17/	17/	17/6	4½
New Zealand	250,000	10	2	15	81/6	87/6	92/6	7½
S. Q'sland	80,000	1	10/	8	20/	16/	...	4
United	85,462	...	2½	12½	5½	...	6½	2½
Col. Mut. Fire	100,000	...	20/	20½	49/9	47/	...	9
COAL.								
Bellambi	175,000	1	1	15/	57/6	55/	60/	6
East Greta ††	150,000	1	1	5	23/9	23/9	...	4½
South Greta	9,000	10/	10/	...	9/6	9/0	11/6	...
Ditto, arm.	16,000	10/	8/	...	6/	7/9	...	...
Wal'n Greta	42,550	1	1	...	...	6/	...	...
Metters	123,665	5	5	6	35/	35/6	...	17½
Newcastle	100,000	11	10	...	9/6/	6/16/	7/3/	15
Stockton	95,621	1	1	4	3/7½	3/0	4/4	7½
New	...	...	10/	4	1/ net	...	14	...
Y. of CT'dd.	30,000	1	1	10	36/	29/	30/6	6½
Wallsend	40,000	10	4	+10/	24½	74	...	7½
Waratah	...	...	...	1'	7	7/	...	2
Wickham & Pullock Is.	104,845	1	1	...	4/8	4/6	5/6	...
New	...	1	12/	...	...	2/	...	...
Preferential	...	1	20/	...	8/	12/	15/	...
North Bulli	100,000	...	20/	...	12/6	11/6	...	...
GAS.								
Albury	7,500	1	12/6	10	22/	21/	...	5½
Australian	750,000	6	6	18	19½	19½	19⅝	4½
Ditto, New	...	6	5	15	11½	11	...	4
Char. Towers	20,000	1½	10/	10	14/8	15/6	14/8	4
Goulburn	16,000	1	1	15	57/6	57/	...	5½
Grafton ++	8,000	1	1	8	30/4½	30/	...	5½
Katoomba & Leura, paid	7,734	1	20/	...	20/3	20/	...	...
Maitland	15,500	5	5	7	...	7	...	5½
Manly	10,000	1	1	8	31/	31/6	...	5½
Ditto, New	7,500	1	15/	8	28/	27/6	30/	4½
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	7	23/	22/6	24/	6½
Newcastle	45,000	2	2	15	6½	6½	...	4½
Nth. Shore	170,000	1	1	7½	39/3	39/	40/	3½
BREWERIES.								
C. & Wood Bros.	200,000	1	1	4	11/3	10/9	11/3	8
Perkins'	100,000	15/	15/	21½	60/	35/6	...	9
Tooher's	400,000	16/	16/	8	12/3	...	12/8	6½
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	8	52/3	52/	52/6	4½
MISCELN'S.								
Aarons'	17,500	15	15	...	2/8	2/	2/6	...
Aust. News	40,000	1	...	...	16/3	15/	17/6	...
F. H. W. Son. ††	200,000	1	1	4.8	19/3	19/6	21/	6
Burns, Philp	250,000	1	1	8	42/	41/0	...	3½
New Issue	35,000	1	10/	8	20/	20/6	...	4
Brooks & Co.	...	...	...	...	...	19/	22/	...
Do., pref.	...	...	...	...	...	20/	22/	...
Col. Sugar ††	2,095,250	20	20	10	41½	41½	41½	4½
Dalgety and Co.	1,000,000	20	5	7	6/16/6	6½	...	5½
DunlopPneu. Tyre, pref.	80,000	1	1	7	19/6	...	21/	7½
Fam B. Rail.	...	...	...	...	4/10½	4/	...	...
Ditto pref.	...	...	...	...	...	11/	...	...
Fam & Pyrm. Gravel	27,200	1	16	7	6/9	9/	...	10½
Goodlet and Smith ††	105,000	15/	15/	8	14/	13/	15/	6½
Mel. Trams.	480,000	1	10	12½	28/6	35/	...	4½
M. de Piete	74,519	1	1	10	39/	...	39/	5½
Mort's Dock	200,000	1	1	8	18/9	16/6	...	7½
Ditto, pref.	45,301	1	1	7	21/6	22/	...	6½
N. Food, Ice	91,750	12/	10	8	13/2	13/	13/2	6
Prm. Trst.	25,000	8	2/6	10	5/7	5/6	...	4½
Perp. Tst.	25,000	10	5/	10	12/3	12/6	12/9	4
Richardson & Wrench	60,000	1	1	5	14/	14/	...	7½
Shale & Oil	...	...	...	...	1/1	...	...	...
Sllr. Trams ††	197,000	1	1	38	102/6	103/	107/	6
Syd. Exch.	20,000	8	10	6	12½	12	...	4½
Syd. Hyd.	75,000	1	1	16	35/3	35/3	36/	5½
Ditto††	37,500	1	10/	10	16/9	16/6	17/	6½
Ditto Hyd. & G. E.	22,500	1	15/	15	29/6	29/6	...	7½
Syd. Cyclorama	20,000	1	20/	5	...	14/	18/	6½
Strand Elec. Tel. Land Or.	18,000	...	...	...	170	...	...	...
W. H. Soul, Patt. & Co. ††	120,000	1	1	10	41/	41/	...	4½
T. M. Hall	6,000	...	20/	...	...	1/	...	...
Ditto, pref.	2,700	...	20	...	...	16/	...	...
Hotel Metropole	75,000	...	20/	8	20/8	...	20/8	5½
Ditto, pref.	17,537	...	20/	6	...	20/	...	...
ZincCorp'atn	50,000	1	20/	...	...	...	25/	...
Q'sland Meat Br. & Ag'y	...	...	...	...	...	18/	...	...
Ditto, new	...	...	...	...	12/	9/	...	...
Paul & Gray	68,882	1	20/	72½	29/6	25/4½	26/	10
Pitt, Son, & B.	50,000	1	10/	...	...	13/3	14/6	...
LAND & BD.								
Gen. B. & I.	...	...	...	...	2/6	3/	4/	...
Equit. Dep.	...	...	...	...	9/	...	...	...
H'ckbrdge	...	...	...	...	...	21/	...	...
Ind. Prov.	45,3??	20	...	6	19	20½	...	...
Intern. Inves.	37,???	1	15/	16	31/	...	25/	4½
News. B. & I.	...	...	...	6	19/	...	...	...
Syd. Free. L.	17,???	7/	...	...	8 6	3	...	4
Syd. & Sub. Dp.	...	...	...	...	...	...	7/	...

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly one. † Per share. †† Ex dividend. ** Ex interim. § Call paid.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Broken Hill Water Supply, b 17s, s 18s; Melbourne Trams, b 35s, s 36s 8d; National Bank, b 98s 6d, s £5 1s; Perth Gas, b 42s, s 43s; Silverton Trams, b £5 4s, s £5 7s.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Chillagoe Debentures, ex all arrears of interest, b £75; Queensland National Bank, s 23s 6d; ditto, inscribed stock, b 16s 10d, s 17s 2d; forward, b 16s 10d, s 17s 3d.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Victorian 3 per cent., 1922, £90 15s; ditto, 3 per cent. stock, 1917, £91 10s; ditto, 3 per cent. stock, 1949, £91 5s; Commercial Bank, pref., £6 5s; Melbourne Tram, 35s 10½d; Howard Smith, pref. (20s paid), 20s 8d.

FINANCIAL.

LOCAL STATE LOAN.

It is announced in the "Government Gazette" that his Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has approved of the issue at the Treasury, Sydney, of £500,000 of New South Wales Funded Stock, under the Darling Harbour Wharfs Resumption Act, 1900, the sale price to be £100 for every £100 of stock; the rate of interest to be 3½ per centum per annum, dating from the issue of the stock, and payable half-yearly on February 10 and August 10 in each year up to the date of maturity; and the stock to have a currency until August 10, 1921.

A.M.P. SOCIETY FURTHER CRITICISED.

Mr. Gerald R. Campbell writes:—

Sir,—In view of "Equity's" very pertinent criticism in your columns on the insufficiency of the management expenses charged against the industrial branch, is it not desirable that the board should at the annual meeting make a considered statement explaining why (1) such a small amount is charged for rent and advertising expenses, and (2) nothing at all in respect of either directors' or auditors' fees or medical inspections? I am, of course, aware that medical inspections or examinations are not the rule in industrial business as they are in ordinary; but none the less they are made to some extent by good industrial offices here as well as in other parts of the world—very largely so in America.

Then the board might state what proportion of the industrial business obtained is whole life, and what proportion endowment assurance.

Further, members are entitled to know definitely whether industrial policies are now being issued with a share in profits, and, if so, why, and on what basis these profits are to be arrived at; for in 1904 the general manager stated to me that the industrial branch "will bear the same relation to the general business of the society as the non-participating branch now in existence does."

"Equity" concludes with this:—"The A.M.P. (i.e., the directorate, I take it he means) 'has become so close a corporation that members recognise the uselessness of attempting to interfere. Parliament might well devote some time to the question of control in mutual companies, for, as it exists at present, mutuality is an impudent farce,'" and most policyholders, if they give the matter fair consideration, will agree with his statement. It is, perhaps, too much to hope that the board will take the necessary steps to reform the out-of-date constitution of our society, but there may be some help from Parliament (as there has been in America), for it is stated that the Federal Government has an insurance bill in hand. If this is so, it would be well if the Federal Attorney-General invited suggestions, not only from insurance officials, but also from policyholders, who are unconnected with office staffs or directorates.

Effective mending of worn-out mutual insurance constitutions or ending them, by State intervention, seems to be the alternatives now presented to those in control.

Probably the chairman of directors will make plain at Friday's meeting the exact position of ordinary and industrial policyholders.

IS AN ACTUARY AN AUDITOR?

"Pro Bono Publico" forwards us the following criticism of the A.M.P. Society's report:—

Sir,—Mr. Allen's letter in to-day's issue strikes a good note, for, after all, the actuary of a life office is the real auditor, and a curious position is created when the auditor of a company has to pass judgment on his own acts performed as general manager. As a good deal of unrest exists, I suggest that a committee of policyholders of the A.M.P. Society be appointed to thoroughly inquire into and report on its affairs generally. To this committee, consisting of six, Mr. Gerald Campbell, who has proved himself a well-wisher of the society, and up to date in insurance matters, should be allowed to nominate three members. No member of the present board and no officer of the company should be a member of this committee, for so far the policy-holder has only heard an interested management's side of the story. The arguments advanced by the board in favour of extension to England have been refuted by the society's results obtained last year, and, in any case, the directors are poor prophets, to say the least, for the chairman at the annual meeting, held in May, 1904, boasted as follows:—"The organisation in the way of branch and district offices which we have spread over the Commonwealth and New Zealand will enable us to undertake the business without the necessity for that costly initial expenditure which accompanies the establishment of offices transacting purely industrial business." So far from being able to undertake industrial business without the necessity for costly initial expenditure, the result of two years' working shows that, with all its prestige and organisation, the A.M.P. Society has actually worked its industrial department at a higher rate of expense than has been the case with any industrial company so far established in Australia. A board with any real sense of decency would resign in the face of this failure.

The writer takes too pessimistic a view of the situation. The success or failure of the industrial branch has not yet been proved. That it has been costly is admitted, but this is the experience of all companies undertaking this class of business, especially in the first few years of their doing so. In time it will, doubtless, prove a valuable feeder for the ordinary branch, and this should be regarded in part at any rate as an offset.

EQUITABLE PERMANENT B.B.L. AND S.I.

The thirty-third annual meeting of the above company was held yesterday, Mr. John Booth presiding. The report shows the cash receipts to have been £180,300. The superabundance of money which prevailed during the previous year continued throughout the 12 months covered by the report, the result being that extraordinary inducements were offered to borrowers. Advances, however, totalled £52,514. The excessive amounts offered on deposit necessitated the refusal of large sums during the year. The amount standing at credit of depositors' account was £153,540. The gross profits, inclusive of £2971 brought forward, amounted to £12,710, from which a dividend at the rate of 9 per cent. has been paid to shareholders, leaving £6372 to be carried forward. Reserve contingent funds, and undivided profits totalled £36,364. The report was adopted. The retiring directors, Messrs. Thos. Miller and Sydney H. Cary, and the retiring auditor, Mr. V. Page, were re-elected.

THE REBATE SYSTEM AND AUSTRALIAN TRADE.

Some interesting evidence was recently given before the Royal Commission on shipping rings by the authorised spokesman of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, in which reference was made to the effect of the rebate system on Australian trade. Witness gave details of the rebates granted by various companies, and said that only one company paid the rebate referred when due, and did not wait for the shipper's claim. All other lines threw the onus on the shipper. Although the conference system was a guarantee to merchants of regular sailings of first-class steamers and of fixity of rates, it constituted a monopoly which prevented merchants at times from availing themselves of a cheaper mode of transport. He gave an example of the anomalous state of things by citing an instance of parallel shipments of flannelettes from the United States and from England to Sydney, both occurring in the beginning of this year. The goods carried from New York by the White Star line in this case were transhipped at Liverpool to another White Star steamer, so that the additional cost of handling it had to be borne by the steamship company, and yet the charge was only 30s. The very same steamer carried American and English goods from Liverpool to Sydney at differential rates. It was calculated that the difference in freight and loss of interest on the money between the American and English shipments to Sydney was equal to 2½ per cent. on the value of these flannelettes. It had to be noted that the steamers carried the English productions 3000 miles shorter distance, and charged 35 per cent. more for doing so. Exporters to Australia complained, that the conference used the exporters' money for 11 months with the sole object of binding them to the company.

THE COPPER POSITION.

An interesting brochure has been issued by Messrs. Aron, Hirsch, and Sons, of Halberstadt, on the copper outlook. It will be remembered that Mr. Hirsch, who is one of the leading world's authorities on this metal, was recently in Sydney, his firm having large interests in Australia. Messrs. Hirsch are of opinion that consumption exceeded production by 54,772 tons in 1905, and by 51,297 tons last year, and these quantities would not be sensibly altered if the old material used were taken into consideration, because there is a large consumption of the metal which does not figure in the statistics. The following passage, translated from the concluding remarks of Messrs. Hirsch's brochure, is well worth consideration. The date of the book is, by the way, the end of February last:—

As the greater part of the production up to the summer of 1907 is already sold to consumers, and as consumption is still insufficiently covered, the situation is serious, since the world's supply, apart from the small quantity of standard copper in England (5630 tons at the end of February, 1907), is deficient. It is therefore clear that, though prices have materially advanced, the rise cannot be counted as artificial. It is also to be observed that the above-mentioned provision of standard copper consists mostly of low-grade material, which cannot profitably be utilised by consumers. . . . Such conditions cannot be regarded as healthy in the interests of the industry. The demand, also contrary to every theory of national economy, has, on the whole, not declined under the regime of high prices. The consumption of some of the smaller industrial branches may have shrunk or substitutes may have been employed, but that is unimportant. The great industries, such as electricity, engineering, shipbuilding, and the like, exhibit no signs of a slackening demand, but rather the contrary.

In reference to the above passage, it may be added that Messrs. Hirsch put the consumption of copper for 1906 (inclusive of from 120,000 to 150,000 tons of old material) at fully 900,000 tons, so that they anticipate an advance of more than 10 per cent. within a short period, which they specify as "a few years." It is, of course, impossible to be precise in making such forecasts. The great point is, that one of the most eminent and practical authorities in Germany predicts a steady development of consumption after a possible temporary slackening, and infers that production will find it difficult to keep pace therewith. We may also cite to the same effect the concluding sentence of the Rio Tinto chairman at its last meeting:—"Probably the 'electrical age' has hardly commenced, and we must hope, even if new sources of supply are found, that our copper will continue to fetch remunerative prices."

HELENSBURGH, Wednesday.

The Helensburgh and Lilyvale Co-operative Society have declared a dividend of 2s in the £.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

At a meeting of the directors of the Strand Electric Lighting Company, Limited, held at the company's offices, No. 100, The Strand, yesterday, the balance-sheet and profit and loss account for the half-year ending March 31 was submitted, and an interim divided of 6 per cent. per annum was declared.

LONDON FINANCIAL CABLES.

AUSTRALIAN DEBENTURE STOCKS, ETC.

LONDON, May 14.

Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company 4 per cent. debenture stocks, unchanged, at 102.

Queensland Investment and Land Mortgage Company 4 per cent. debentures, unchanged, at 89½.

City of Sydney 4 per cent. debentures (1912-13), unchanged, at 101.

Dalgety and Company, Limited, unchanged, at 6½.

Dalgety and Company, Limited, 4 per cent. debentures, unchanged, at *100.

Metropolitan Gas Company (Melbourne) 4½ per cent., unchanged, at 101.

Union Mortgage and Agency Company of Australia, Limited, 4½ per cent., debenture stock, unchanged, at 61.

Australian and New Zealand Mortgage Company 4½ per cent. debentures, unchanged at 94.

*Ex dividend.

COMMERCIAL.

Wheat advanced again yesterday. The cabled news of the great excitement in Chicago and New York, and the fact that for September wheat the dollar mark had actually been reached, caused most holders here to keep off the market. One of the large grain merchants quoted 3s 10½d per bushel for parcels, but buyers were not prepared to pay over 3s 9d, at which figure business was done early. The market, which was feverish, and permeated by a feeling of uncertainty yesterday, may settle down to a more normal condition to-day. Flours, city and country, were firmly held at Tuesday's advanced quotations.

In the import markets, trade, with the exception of another spurt in linseed oil, was quiet, and of an ordinary distributing character. There was little doing in teas. Prices for groceries remained steady, although it was hinted that lower rates might be expected to rule shortly for local candles and soaps, owing to the fall in tallow. Some large parcels of linseed oil changed hands in the morning, induced by a further rise of 1d per gallon, cabled from London. The market closed 1d dearer. For jute fabrics the inquiry was nominal.

AUSTRALIAN BREADSTUFFS EXPORT.

Oversea shipments of wheat and flour from the Commonwealth since December 1 now aggregate 22½ million bushels, or three million bushels less than the quantity exported for the corresponding period of last season. The exportable surplus this season is estimated at approximately 40 million bushels, the same as last year. The appended summary shows that Victoria and South Australia are easily outstripping this State in flour exports, as well as in wheat:—

From	Wheat. Bushels.	Flour. 200lb sks.	Equivalent in wheat. Bushels.
N. S. Wales	5,228,733	198,320	6,120,660
Victoria	6,551,835	518,010	8,078,283
South Australia	6,803,713	268,590	8,092,945
Western Australia	192,907	...	192,907
Commonwealth	18,777,188	784,920	22,544,804

The New South Wales figures include 745,589 bushels wheat which passed over the border into Victoria from December 1 to March 31, as per Customs returns. A corresponding reduction has been made in the Victorian figures.

Heavy shipments were made from Melbourne and Geelong last week for the East. The steamer Christian Michelsen, which was chartered independently of the Associated Shipping Companies, took the largest grain cargo sent from Victoria to the East, shipments amounting approximately to 25,115 bags wheat and 64,000 quarter sacks flour from Melbourne, and 21,982 bags wheat and 26,871 quarter sacks flour from Geelong. The Cape Corso took from Melbourne about 410 tons flour for Manila, about 2150 tons for Hongkong, and 100 tons for Shanghai.

DUTY ON OVER-CARRIED CARGO.

The following decision has been issued by the Acting Comptroller-General:—

When goods are over-carried from one port at which duty has been paid to another port within the Commonwealth, and are subsequently returned, the matter may be adjusted by the acceptance of a free entry, endorsed with the date and warrant of the original entry and certified to by the examining officer who attended the discharge of the vessel from which the goods were short landed.

Goods over-carried to New Zealand or other place beyond the Commonwealth must be dealt with as short-landed goods, and a refund given of the duty paid thereon. If returned to the Commonwealth, the goods are to be regarded as a fresh importation, and dealt with accordingly.

THE STRENGTH OF EXCISE SPIRITS.

In connection with items 1, 3, and 5 in the schedule to the Excise Tariff, 1906, re spirits, a question has been raised as to the manner of determining whether the spirit is being distilled at the prescribed strength, viz., not exceeding 40 per cent., 35 per cent., or 45 per cent., as the case may be. It has been decided by the Customs that the strength of the spirit being distilled shall be determined from the final results of the distillate recovered in the receivers, provided that during the process of distillation the strength of the spirit flowing from the safe does not temporarily exceed unduly the limit fixed by the Act. This will apply also in the case of items 2 and 4 of the schedule respectively, to the 25 per cent. of pure grape wine and of pure barley malt spirit separately distilled by pot still or similar process at the prescribed strength.

FLOUR IN NEW ZEALAND.

WELLINGTON, Wednesday.

Advices from Dunedin state that the hardening in the wheat market, caused by reports of crop shortages in the colony, allied to the excited condition of the American and European markets, has been responsible for an advance of 10s per ton in the price of flour. The New Zealand Flourmillers' Association now quote £9 5s in sacks, and £10 in quarter-sacks. The shipping price has advanced to £9 f.o.b. The department considers that there will be sufficient wheat grown for our own requirements.

BREADSTUFFS.

ANOTHER RISE IN WHEAT.

Yesterday afternoon 3s 10½d per bushel, Darling Harbour, was the price asked by one of the largest wheat firms for parcels of f.a.q. grain. Other city holders preferred not to name a quotation until they had further information from London to guide them as to the probable trend of the market. In the morning a few small lines were picked up in the country on the basis of 3s 7½d to 3s 8½d Darling Harbour; later in the day several thousand bags changed hands at 3s 8½d; and in the afternoon 3s 9d, which was offered by a miller, was refused for 5000 bags. It was thought that the enticing rates offered would have brought out a number of farmers, but these inland holders continued to sit tight on their stocks, the bulk of which is stored in the railway sheds and stacks. Some hundreds of bags of second quality wheat were sold at profits of 6d to 7½d per bushel to the holders. The exceptionally stiff and rapid series of rises which have taken place—wheat was worth 3s 2d to 3s 2½d a month ago—has put millers, who, for the most part want wheat, in a quandary, but yesterday they laid low, and doubtless will continue to do so until some of the excitement generated has simmered down and the market has steadied.

Our cables indicate the strength of the London market, a Sydney cargo which left in February having been sold at 33s per 480lb c.i.f., while a handy South Australian cargo, loading, has found a buyer at 34s, the record price of the season.

Quotations for flour were very firm, and, if wheat keeps at its present level, another advance appears inevitable; although against this it may be urged that the millers are getting famine prices for their bran and pollard. The leading metropolitan brands were offering at £8 10s, with others at £8 5s, while country makes were procurable yesterday at £8, and for several lesser known brands at £7 15s per ton. Buyers were willing to pay £7 12s 6d for good parcels of inland flour, but apparently could find no sellers. The higher rates asked for flour have temporarily checked further business in the East, but as American flours are sure to have also advanced in sympathy with wheat, Eastern buyers will no doubt be again making inquiries on this market.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 495 tons wheat and 153 tons flour were manifested to arrive.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

Tea.—The market was dull, buyers generally holding off for the auctions. Sales were noted of 70 packages Ceylons at 8½d to 10d, and 80 Indians at 7½d to 8½d per lb. Messrs. F. H. Dyer and Co. will offer at auction this afternoon, at 60 Margaret-street, under instructions from Messrs. Gerber, Michaut, and Co., and Dalgety and Co., Limited, 664 Ceylons, as advertised.

Groceries.—Further inquiries were about for D.R.J. candles, and business was done at 7d for parcels. The demand for local makes was poor, retailers anticipating that, unless tallow again advanced, lower prices would shortly rule. Trade in jams was not too brisk, despite the reductions made some days ago. Tinned fruits were firmly held, and for several scarce lines inclined to harden. Currants had good inquiry at 3½d to 5½d, according to quality, and Mildura fruits were moving off well at trust rates.

Metals.—A good turnover with the country was advised in German black fencing wire at the reduced rates, viz., £8 7s 6d for No. 8, and £8 17s 6d for No. 10 per ton. Some houses refused, however, to break £8 10s, and in cases £8 12s 6d for No. 8, as late shipments cost about £9 to land. Wire netting prices were steady. Two hundred casks plaster were placed at 14s.

Oils, etc.—Another advance of 1d per gallon cabled from London in Blundell, Spence and Co.'s and Bloch R. from London in Blundell, Spence, and Co.'s linseed oil set this market in motion again. For raw oil the cabled price was 2s 2d f.o.b., packages extra, or equal to about 3s 5d delivered. During the morning nearly 1000 drums assorted changed hands on the basis of 3s 5d for B. and S.'s raw and 3s 5d for boiled, with Thistle and Ferguson's at 1d less, and the market closed with most holders asking 1d more, which is still below London parity. China oil was firmer owing to stocks being light, and 3s 3d was wanted, although a line of 120 cases was bought at less. Japanese fish oil continued to be very scarce and worth 1s 9d. Twelve barrels Scottish bagged whale oil were sold ex ship at 2s 6d, and the same quality of pure cod oil at 2s 3d ex ship. Castor oil was dull at 3s 4½d to 3s 5d. The Calcutta price was unchanged at 2s 3d c.i.f., equal to 3s delivered. Pinetree turps sold at 4s 3d. Stocks of whitelead were moderate, but the demand was on the poor side. Champion's was placed in cwts at £32 10s per ton, with Ferguson's, Johnson's, and other brands at £31 10s.

F. Lassetter and Co. have secured the Government contract for a year's supply of glass, commencing July 1, at 21½ per cent. discount off schedule rates.

Jute.—Small purchases of branbags were effected at 6s 6d, with some holders now asking up to 6s 10½d, but the country demand was insignificant. The Calcutta price by cable was 6s 11d c.i.f. Cornsacks were without inquiry, and nominal at 7s 8d to 7s 9d on spot. A Calcutta cable made them easier for season's shipments, viz., 7s 5½d c.i.f. Woolpacks were moving slowly at 2s 10d for last season's, and at 3s 1d for forward deliveries. The Calcutta quotation was unchanged at 2s 11d c.i.f.

Customs Decision.—A question has been raised as to whether the Deering spring-tooth giant cultivator, with grainbox attachment, should be classified as a "seed drill," 25 per cent. It has been decided that the machine cannot be classified as a "seed drill," but is a "cultivator other than disc," dutiable at 20 per cent.

The Customs revenue received at Sydney yesterday amounted to £8825.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 166 bales of wool were manifested to arrive by rail.

LONDON MARKET CABLES.

SILVER.

LONDON, May 14.

Bar silver is quoted to-day 2s 6½d per ounce standard.

WHEAT AFLOAT.

Shipments of wheat afloat to-day, a week ago, and a year ago, compare:—

	A year ago. Qrs.	A week ago. Qrs.	To-day. Qrs.
For United Kingdom	3,795,000	3,505,000	3,230,000
For Continent	2,430,000	2,975,000	2,825,000
Total	6,225,000	6,480,000	6,055,000

AMERICAN WHEAT SHIPMENTS.

The wheat and flour shipped from the Atlantic coast of America during the past week aggregated 141,000qrs., against 121,000qrs. a week ago, and 191,000qrs. during the corresponding week of last year. The Pacific shipments were nil, as against 25,000qrs. a week ago, and nil a year ago.

SALES OF AUSTRALIAN WHEAT.

LONDON, May 15.

The following sales of Australian wheat, at per 480lb c.f.i., are reported:—

23,912 bags in the Gael, which left Sydney on February 21, at 33s.

24,398 bags in the Orella, which left South Australia on February 27, at 33s 7½d.

26,030 bags in the Amiral Halgan, which left Melbourne on February 17, at 33s 9d.

Cargo in the Bessfield (1292 tons), now loading at Port Adelaide, at 34s.

METALS.

Closing quotations were:—

Copper, on spot, b £102 5s, s £103 10s, a rise of 5s per ton; three months, b £101 10s, s £101 15s, an advance of 10s.

Tin, on spot, b £190 10s, s £191, a fall of £2 5s per ton; three months, b £186, s £186 10s, a drop of £1 5s.

INTERSTATE MARKETS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Wheat was steady to-day, and 3s 5d was given for farmers' lots, while parcels were virtually unobtainable. Business was not brisk. Flour advanced to £8 for city brands, and £7 15s for country; for export the basis is now £7 10s. Bran and pollard had strong inquiry, and were raised to 1s 1d. Branbags sold at 6s 9d; chaff, for prompt shipment, at 80s, and future at 75s.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Wheat was firmer to-day, and 1000 bags were sold early at 3s 7d delivered at mill siding, and later two parcels of 5000 bags each were sold at 3s 8d and 3s 8½d, the market closing with a quieter feeling. Flour was worth £8 to £8 5s, and 150 tons were sold for export. Bran and pollard were firm to 1s 0½d. Algerian oats were slightly firmer; milling 2s 6½d to 2s 7d, feed 2s 4d to 2s 6d. 2700 bags were sold at auction at up to 2s 7d, 200 bags of extra prime fetching 2s 7½d; seed sold at 2s 8d. Maize was firmer, and there were small sales at 3s 6d. Peas were firmer, and sales were effected at from 3s 8d to 3s 8½d. Chaff was firmer up to £4 10s. Potatoes were steady; Redsoil 40s to 45s, Pinkeye 30s to 35s. Onions were rather quiet; prime to choice, scarce, 50s to 52s 6d. The import market was somewhat brighter. In tea, up to 600 packages of Ceylons were sold to 11½d. Jute goods were brisk at 6s 9d, with sales for May-June shipments at 6s 4½d. Cornsacks were worth 8s, and packs were quoted to 3s 1d forward. One hundred bags of branbags, July shipment, were placed at 6s 4d. No. 8 fencing wire sold at £8 15s and £8 12s 6d. Dried fish were firm, and oatmeal was in request owing to the high rate for oats.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Elder, Smith, and Co., Ltd., report in regard to to-day's sales:—Cattle: 560 were yarded, forming a good selection. There were 390 from the north and 50 from the lakes, the balance being local. There was a strong demand from all sources, and prices were easily maintained. Prime station beef is quoted at from 28s to 30s. We sold 50 cattle. Sheep: 5900 penned, mostly of indifferent quality. Prime was scarce and dearer, and others dull and easier, owing to the continued dry weather. Graziers bought 2400. Quotations:—Prime merino wethers, 21s to 23s; extra weighty, 27s; prime ewes, 17s; prime cross wethers, 22s to 25s; prime cross ewes, 18s to 20s. Lambs: 2000 were penned. The best were firm, but the others lower. Graziers bought 240. We sold 1500.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

In the live stock market to-day 1630 fat cattle were yarded, comprising 370 from New South Wales, 780 from the north-eastern district, 350 from Gippsland, 250 from South Gippsland, and the remainder from the westward. In the early part of the market the demand was unsteady, when in some instances prices ruled about 10s a head lower; but as the sales progressed competition improved for good and prime qualities, and for such prices gradually recovered to about late rates, closing firm. Prices: Prime pens of bullocks, £11 to £12 10s; extra ditto ditto, £13 to £13 15s, with a few odd beasts to £15 10s; good ditto ditto, £9 5s to £10 10s; light weights, £7 10s to £8 15s; inferior, from £5 15s; prime pens of cows, £8 to £9, with odd beasts to £10 17s 6d; good ditto ditto, £6 to £7 10s; second and inferior, from £3 10s. Fat calves: 300 were penned. The demand was dull and prices lower. Prices: Prime steers and heifers, 50s to 60s, with a few extra to £6; prime calves, 35s to 45s, with small vealers from 13s to 27s.

In the Metropolitan Meat Market prices for the week ended to-day were:—Beef: Prime bodies, 24s to 25s per 100lb; medium, 22s to 23s; prime forequarters, 17s to 18s; medium, 16s; prime hindquarters, 31s to 32s; medium, 29s to 40s. Sheep: Prime light sheep, 2½d per lb; medium, 2½d; heavy weights, 2½d to 2¾d. Lamb: Prime, 10s to 11s each; medium, 8s to 9s. Veal: Prime large vealers, 2d to 2½d per lb; medium, 1¾d to 1⅞d; prime small vealers, 2½d to 2¾d; medium, 2d; small calves, 1½d to 2d.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

MILL OFFAL FIRMER. OATEN HAY AT £5.

Agents had little fresh to talk about concerning the state of trade in Sussex-street yesterday, there still being factors at work which sustained the recent sharp advance in the value of fodder. Despite the usual weekly trade half-holiday, buyers congregated in large numbers at the chief centres of the trade, and naturally there was no small amount of anxiety felt over the present outlook of the pastoral industry. Of course, the speculator in Sussex-street has lost little time in taking advantage of the current scarcity of forage to push prices onward till they have now reached, in many cases, limits beyond the ordinary tradesman's pockets. The commission agent makes plenty of hay while the sun lasts.

The principal features of the morning's trading was a rise of a penny per bushel in both bran and pollard, and the placing of oaten hay at £5—an advance of £1 on the last quoted figure.

Thirty-one trucks were forward by rail, chaff comprising 13 trucks. No material difference was noted in the market, which continued firm under the influence of an excessive demand.

The maize market was devoid of fresh movement, the majority of holders demanding 3s 8d for primest grain. Oats were very firm, especially the better class of Algerian, which was anything but well supplied. Barley, chickwheat, and peas were still firmly held.

Whether buyers were paying as much as £5 for imported chaff was a question of considerable doubt. Sales were reported in best Adelaide at £4 17s 6d, yet it would not be fair to quote the market weaker. At the sales local cuts were strongly supported, and prices secured ranged from £4 15s to £5 6s 8d, according to grade and size of parcel. Lucerne was extremely stiff at £5 on the wharf, whilst no less a figure than £5 8s 4d was paid for large bales, ex rail. Arrivals by steamer amounted approximately to 200 bales.

The oaten hay market rose in value beyond expectations. Holders stoutly demanded £5 for any offering, and a few sales were executed at that level. Tasmanian and Victorian straw was placed at £2 15s and £2 7s 6d, respectively.

Best potatoes were procurable at £2 15s, the £3 quote having entirely disappeared. Onions were unchanged.

As anticipated, mill by-products strengthened their position. Stocks were a long way insufficient for the inquiry, and millers had nothing to do but to advance prices.

Current quotations were:—

FEED-GRAIN AND OFFAL MARKET.

Barley.—Victorian: Cape 2s 10d bus.

Maize.—Prime red, free from weevil, 3s 3d to 3s 8d; weevilly, nominal; white, 3s 1d to 3s 2d bus.

Peas.—Blue, 4s 9d to 5s bus; grey, 4s 9d bus.

Chickwheat.—3s 3d to 3s 4½d.

Oats.—Melbourne: Algerian, heavy milling, 2s 9d; light feed, 2s 6d; seed, 2s 9d. Tasmanian: 2s 11d bus.

Bran.—13d; pollard, 13d bus.

FORAGE MARKET.

Chaff.—Victorian: Oaten, £4 12s 6d to £4 15s; wheaten, £4 15s. Adelaide: £4 15s to £4 17s 6d ton. At auction: Choicest local, £5 1s 8d to £5 6s 8d ton.

Oaten Hay.—Victorian, £5 ton.

Derrick Straw.—Tasmanian: £2 15s; Melbourne, £2 7s 6d ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Best £5 ton. At auction: Choicest hay, £5 8s 4d ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian: Redskins, choice £2 15s, medium £2 10s, old from £2 5s; darkskins, £2 5s to £2 10s, some at £2 15s ton.

Onions.—Victorian: Brown Spanish, £3 to £3 5s ton.

DAIRY PRODUCE MARKETS.

EGGS SOMEWHAT WEAKER.

The turnover in dairy produce was of goodly proportions. No item of fresh interest took place, practically the only phase worthy of mention being a slight easing tendency in the value of eggs, due partly to buyers' hesitation to operate at such high rates, and partly to an appreciable increase in supplies.

Current quotations were:—

Butter.—Special flavoured brands 100s, choice 98s to 99s, seconds from 92s to 94s cwt.

Bacon.—Prime factory, flitches 6½d to 7d, middles 8d to 8½d, sides 6½d to 7d; special brands, sides 7½d, flitches 7½d, middles 9½d. Hams: In cloth, 9d to 9½d, special brands 9½d, bagged 10d to 11d, special brands 10½d lb.

Lard.—Packets and small bladders 5½d to 6½d, bulk 4½d to 4½d, special brands 5½d to 5½d.

Honey.—60lb tins extra choice extracted 3d to 3½d, prime 2½d to 3d, good 2½d, inferior and candied 2d.

Beeswax.—Dark 1s 3d, bright 1s 3d to 1s 3½d lb.

Cheese.—Local: Prime loaf 6d to 6½d, good 5½d to 5½d, prime large 5½d to 6d, good 5½d, inferior from 5d; special brands 5½d to 7d lb.

Eggs.—Northern River, 16d to 17d; southern and railway, 17d to 18d; few special lots, 19d; new-laid suburban, 21d to 22d; duck, river 14d to 15d, new-laid, 16d to 17d.

POULTRY.

River.—Hens, old 2s 6d to 2s 9d; young roosters, 2s 9d to 3s 6d; chickens, 1s to 1s 6d; English ducks, 2s 6d to 2s 9d; Muscovy, 3s to 3s 6d; drakes, 3s 6d to 4s; geese, 4s to 5s; turkeys, hens 5s 6d to 7s; gobblers, 10s to 12s, extra heavy 14s; guineafowls, 4s 6d to 5s pair.

Suburban.—Fowls: Young roosters 3s to 4s, choice 4s, very small kinds from 1s 6d, hens 3s to 3s 6d; choice 4s; ducks, English, 2s 6d to 3s, choice 3s 6d; Muscovy, 2s 6d to 2s 9d, choice 4s; drakes, 3s to 3s 6d, choice 7s; turkeys, hens 4s 6d to 7s 6d, choice 8s, small from 4s 6d; gobblers, 9s to 12s, choice 16s, inferior from 5s; geese, 4s 6d to 5s; guineafowls, 4s 6d; pigeons, 1s to 1s 6d pair.

SYDNEY AUCTION SALES.

A moderate-sized offering was yarded at the railway, 31 trucks being submitted, the greater part of which consisted of forage. Choice cuts of chaff brought 5s 1d to 5s 4d, and prime 4s 9d to 4s 11d. Choice large bale lucerne realised 5s to 5s 2d, and prime 4s 11d. Maize was firmer, 3s 3d being given for local grain. Wheat and oats were not disposed of.

Consignments were knocked down as follow:—

Chaff.—Ex Ganmain, (11125) 4s 9d; J. Kelly, (8701) 5s 4d, (5200) 5s 4d; Marning, Perth, (5559) 5s 1d; ex Woodstock, (9727) 4s 11d, (4930) 4s 11d; Moore, Lyndhurst, (3811) 5s 2d, (4735) 5s 2d; Payne, Geurie, (11663) 4s 9d cwt.

Lucerne Hay.—From Wallace, Muswellbrook, (7002) 5s; ex Maitland, (9787) 5s 2d; ex Hexham, (6225) 4s 11d cwt.

Maize.—Ex Wallangarra, (3130) 10 bags 3s 3d; ex Tenterfield, (3348) 3s 3d bus.

Millet.—Ex Darling Harbour, (6500) £19 ton.

Potatoes.—Ex Guyra, (1808) 2s 6d cwt.

Pumpkins.—Ex Penrith, (6196) west, 1s 6d; east, 1s 3d doz; Plummer, 25s ton; ex Richmond, (3429) 1s 4d doz.

FRUIT MARKETS.

BATHURST-STREET.

Demand was mostly for the superior classes of fruit at the above mart, there being hardly any attention bestowed on small and inferior "stuff."

Current quotations were:—

Pineapples.—Common, choice 6s to 7s, others from 5s; Queens, choice 5s 6d to 6s 6d case.

Bananas.—Fiji: G.M.'s, 12s 6d to 13s 6d case, 4s to 9s bunch; Chinese, 11s 6d to 12s 6d case, 3s to 4s bunch. Queensland: 1s 6d to 2s bunch, 5s 6d to 6s case.

Oranges.—Local: White Siletta, choice 4s to 5s; common, main crop, choice coloured, 3s to 4s; others from 2s 6d. Queens, choice 3s to 4s 6d gin-case.

Mandarins.—Thorny, choice 4s to 4s 6d, medium 2s 6d to 3s box.

Lemons.—Local: Choice 4s 6d to 5s, good 3s to 3s 6d, medium 2s to 2s 6d gin-case.

Tomatoes.—Local: Choice 3s to 4s, medium 2s 6d half-case.

Pears.—Tasmanian: Beurre Bose, medium 3s to 4s; W.C., choice 4s to 4s 6d; G.S., 4s to 4s 6d half-bushel-case. Victoria: Beurre de Cap, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; Beurre Bose, choice 6s 6d to 7s 6d case.

Passionfruit.—Choice 4s 6d to 5s, medium 3s to 3s 6d box; extra choice 8s to 10s gin-case; others 4s.

Apples.—Cooking: French Crabs, 3s to 3s 6d; jam lots, 2s; Granny Smiths, choice 4s to 5s, medium 3s to 4s; jam lots, 1s 6d to 2s; Luxemburgs, 2s 6d to 3s 6d gin-case; Five-crowns, extra choice 7s to 7s 6d, choice 5s to 6s gin-case. Tasmanian: Alexanders, choice coloured 5s to 6s, large pale 3s to 4s bushel-case; R.P., choice 5s 6d, good 4s to 5s; S.P.M., choice 6s. Victorian: Jonathans, choice 4s 6d to 5s 6d, medium 3s 6d to 4s gin-case.

Quinces.—Choice 3s to 3s 6d, medium 1s 6d to 2s gin-case.

Persimmons.—Choice 4s to 4s 6d, medium 2s 6d to 3s half-case.

Cocoanuts.—14s to 14s 6d bag; 2s 6d dozen.

Grapes.—Black Muscatels, choice 4s 6d to 5s; white sherries 2s 6d to 3s 6d; Dorradillas, 3s to 3s 6d.

BELMORE.

FRUIT.

Mid-week trade at Belmore produced several variations in values. Citrus fruits were still dull. Quinces were hard to sell, with a fair demand for other lines. Among vegetables French beans were appreciably dearer.

Current quotations were:—

Apples.—Local: Five-crowns, extra choice to 10s, choice 6s to 7s gin-case, 3s 6d to 6s bushel-case; cooking, 2s 6d to 4s 6d; jam lots, from 1s jam-case. Victorian: Jonathans, 5s 6d to 6s 6d bushel-case. Tasmanian: F.C., 4s to 5s 6d bushel-case; A.P.M., 5s to 6s; medium, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; S.P.M., choice, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; medium, 5s 6d to 6s; C.E., 3s to 5s.

Pineapples.—Common, small, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; large 6s 6d to 7s 6d; Queens, 4s 6d to 6s case.

Passionfruit.—Choice, 4s to 4s 6d; medium, 2s 6d to 3s; small, unsaleable.

Oranges.—Local: Navel, 5s to 8s; main crop, prime, 6s; medium, 3s to 4s; small, 1s 6d to 2s 6d gin-case; Queensland, 3s to 4s packer.

Mandarins.—Thorny, 2s to 3s 6d box, 4s to 5s gin-case; Emperor, 3s to 5s gin-case.

Lemons.—Choice, coloured, 6s; prime, 4s to 4s 6d; rough, 2s 6d gin-case; Messina, 6s 6d to 7s 6d box of 150 to 180 pieces.

Pears.—Victorian: Josephine, 5s 6d to 6s 6d; Boyley, Bergamot, 4s 6d to 5s 6d; Winter Cole, 5s 6d to 6s 6d packer. Tasmanian: Josephine, 4s; W.N., 4s 6d; W.C., 4s to 5s; G.S., 3s 6d to 4s 6d; Napoleon, 2s to 2s 6d half-bushel-case.

Tomatoes.—Choice, coloured, 3s 6d; medium 2s to 2s half-case. Queensland: 2s to 3s 6d quarter-case.

Plums.—Local and Tasmanian: Sydney late 1s 6d to 2s 6d half-case; other varieties, 1s 6d to 2s 6d half-case.

Grapes.—Black Muscatels, choice 3s to 4s 6d; lower quality 2s to 3s; white Muscatel, 3s to 4s 6d box of 25lb to 26lb.

Quinces.—2s to 3s gin-case. Victorian: 3s to 4s pine-case.

Persimmons.—Choice, 3s 6d to 4s; others from 1s 6d half-case.

Bananas.—Queensland: 6s 6d to 8s. Fiji: 10s to 11s case; sugar, 5s to 6s 6d.

VEGETABLES.

Cabbages, large 4s 6d, small 1s 6d to 2s; cauliflowers, large 6s 6d to 7s 6d, medium 4s 6d; pumpkins, small 2s to 2s 6d, large 6s; marrows, 1s 6d to 2s; carrots, 7d to 8d; parsnips, 1s to 1s 6d; white turnips, 1s to 1s 3d; beetroot, 6d to 8d; celery, 1s 6d to 2s; watercress, 1s 6d to 2s 6d doz bunches; eschalots, 10d to 1s; rhubarb, 1s to 1s 6d; parsley, 1s; herbs, 4d to 6d; mint, 8d to 1s; radishes, 4d to 6d; spinach, 6d to 8d; asparagus, 6s 6d doz bunches; potatoes, Circular Head, 5s 6d to 5s; sweet potatoes, 2s to 2s 6d; onions, 3s 6d to 4s cwt; beans, French, 2s 6d to 2s 9d; peas, local 2s to 3s 6d; tomatoes, 2s 9d to 3s quarter-case.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

The following is a return of produce received at Sydney, Clyde, Homebush, Burwood, Ashfield, Petersham, and Newtown per rail, for the week ended May 14, together with the total to date for the year and the corresponding period of last year:—

	Week ended Tuesday.	Total to Date.	Total, 1906.
Butter, kegs	10	278	321
Butter, cases	2,336	67,057	68,480
Cheese, cases	173	5,092	4,596
Eggs, cases	166	6,824	8,883
Bacon, bags	1	207	101
Bacon, sides	564	6,760	5,451
Hay, trucks	42	1,000	865
Straw, trucks	7	309	202
Chaff, trucks	102	3,307	3,536
Oats, tons	78	3,015	1,740
Barley, tons	47	309	715
Maize, tons	470	5,732	1,073
Meal, tons	2	50	120
Potatoes, tons	17	2,276	3,380
Bran, tons	82	2,012	—
Pollard, tons	62	1,268	—

STOCK TRUCKINGS.

For the sale of May 20, 106 sheep vans and 114 cattle waggons; May 22, 449 and 69.

HOMEBUSH SALES.

At to-day's fat stock sales to be held at Homebush the offerings will be:—Cattle, 1003; sheep, 20,002.

STOCK AND STATION PRODUCE.

The Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Co., Ltd.; John Bridge and Co., Ltd.; Dalgety and Co., Ltd.; Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd.; Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd.; Hill, Clark, and Co.; New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co., Ltd.; Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd.; Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd.; Schute, Bell, and Co.; Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., report:—

Furskins.—Kangaroo, wallaroo, wallaby, and bear ruled firm at late rates. Opossumskins: 25,237 were offered. A rather irregular inquiry prevailed, without material change in values. Quotations:—Grey kangaroo, large 36d to 91d each, medium 18d to 49d, small 6d to 16½d; red kangaroo, large 46d to 91d, medium 16d to 43d, small 6d to 15d; wallaroo, large 37d to 53d, medium 15d to 33½d, small 4d to 14d; wallaby, scrub, large 15d to 27½d, medium 4d to 14½d, small 1d to 3d; wallaby, swamp, large 15d to 39d, medium 3d to 14d, small 1d to 2½d; wallaby, rock, 1d to 9d; goats, best 23d to 43d, seconds 3d to 21d; bears, best 16d to 21½d, seconds 3d to 15d. Opossumskins: Top grey, 18s to 21s per dozen; super grey, 15s to 17s 6d; first grey, 12s to 14s 9d; second grey, 9s to 11s 6d; top red, 17s to 18s 6d; super red, 14s to 16s 6d; first red, 11s to 13s 6d; second red, 8s to 10s 9d; top rumped, 8s 6d to 10s 9d; first rumped, 6s to 8s; second rumped, 3s 6d to 5s 9d; torn and weevilly, 2s 6d to 4s 6d; super black, 30s to 40s; first black, 20s to 29s; second black, 10s to 17s 6d.

Leather.—Sales were held yesterday by Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd., Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., and Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd. A fair demand prevailed for yearling and calf tweed, while saddlers' goods were also in good request. Kip and cow tweed were dull, while other lines were unchanged. Quotations:—Cow tweed, 16d to 17½d per lb (5½d to 6½d per ft); yearling tweed, 17d to 18½d; calf tweed, 20d to 22d; waxed yearling, 17d to 20d; waxed calf, 22d to 28d; kip, best light 15d to 15½d, heavy 13½d to 14½d, damaged 11d to 12½d; dressed splits, light 10d to 11d, medium 9d to 10d, rough to 8d; sole, heavy 12d to 13d, medium 10½d to 11½d, light 11d to 11½d, damaged 6½d to 10d; harness, brown 12½d to 15d, black 13d to 16½d; bridle, 13s to 15s per side; bag, 11s to 14s; basils, saddlers' 21s to 26s, first shoe 17s to 21s, second shoe 10s to 15s, third shoe 5s to 12s; collars, 14s to 26s.

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

MASONIC INSTALLATION.

There was a large gathering of the Masonic fraternity (including the Deputy Grand Master and a number of Grand Lodge officers) at the Parramatta Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening, when Bro. Alfred Barry, the W.M. elect, was installed in the chair. At the conclusion of the ceremony of installation the W.M. invested his officers as follows:—I.P.M., Wor. Bro. W. F. A. Larcombe; S.W., Bro. W. T. Anderson; J.W., Bro. F. A. Stayner; chaplain, Wor. Bro. H. W. Meggitt; treasurer, V.W. Bro. G. A. Wood, P.D.G.I.W.; secretary, Wor. Bro. W. J. Morey; S.D., Bro. Thos. Miles; J.D., Bro. A. P. B. Dolan; D.C., R.W. Bro. D. Doble, P.G.S.W.; organist, Bro. C. M. Sattler; I.G., Bro. J. P. Larcombe; stewards, Bros. R. Bartlett, C. Miller, Chas. Rosenthal, and A. H. Brennan; tyler, Bro. Wm. Brown.

PRESBYTERIAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

THE THEOLOGICAL HALL.

STUDENTS' PETITION.

RESIGNATION OF DR. DILL MACKY.

There was again a large gathering of representatives of the Presbyterian Church at St. Stephen's Church, Phillip-street, yesterday, the Moderator (the Rev. Philip Norman) presiding.

The chief matter before the assembly was the petition of the Theological students as to the inadequacy of the teaching at the Theological Hall. The petition was previously before the assembly, and was referred to a committee to investigate and report.

The Moderator hoped members would keep strictly to the standing orders in the discussion, as that would conduce to the better use of their time.

The Rev. J. Ferguson said there were one or two minor questions which should be settled at that stage.

Several of the delegates called attention to the fact that the assembly was sitting in public, and asked was it not as well to do that in private.

The Rev. J. Ferguson: Perhaps you will wait until you hear what I have to say. It was unanimously agreed by the committee that it be a suggestion to the assembly that the matter be discussed in private. I beg to move that. Some people might say, "Let there be light on the subject," but a good deal of light had been thrown on it already.

The Rev. R. Steele seconded the motion.

Dr. Dill Macky opposed the motion on constitutional grounds. He said:—I am labouring under an accusation as to the inadequacy of my teaching in the hall——

The Rev. R. G. Macintyre called the Moderator's attention to the standing orders, which provided that when a motion was moved and seconded, the Moderator might put the matter from the chair and decide it at once.

Dr. Dill Macky: I think Mr. Macintyre might have given me an opportunity of explaining my position.

The Rev. R. G. Macintyre: I owe a duty to the house.

The Moderator: I am sorry, but we must keep to the standing orders. I have therefore to put the motion.

Dr. Dill Macky: I object——

The Moderator: Will Dr. Dill Macky resume his seat?

The motion on being put was agreed to by 67 votes to 7.

Dr. Dill Macky: I dissent from the finding of the house. I should have been given an opportunity of dissenting from the ruling from the chair.

Dr. M'Innes: You can do that in writing.

Mr. Wood asked the Moderator if the proceedings up to that stage were to be considered as private business.

The Moderator: Oh, no; the house has no voice in the matter.

There was then a general exodus as the students were called to the bar of the house.

The clerk of the assembly subsequently furnished the press with the minutes of the proceedings. They stated that after the committee's report had been circulated among members and read by the clerk, Dr. Dill Macky moved that the evidence referred to in the report be deemed part of the record, printed, and circulated among the members.

The motion was negatived.

The Rev. J. Ferguson moved for the reception of the report.

Dr. Dill Macky tabled his resignation of the lectureship in systematic theology in the Theological Hall.

The Rev. J. Ferguson moved: "That this assembly accepts the resignation of the lectureship in systematic theology of Dr. W. M. Dill Macky, thanking him with utmost heartiness for the services he has rendered the Church during his eight years' tenure of office."

The motion was agreed to.

The Rev. J. Fulton asked leave to dissent from the finding, which was agreed to.

On the motion of the Rev. J. Ferguson it was resolved: (1) "That the assembly direct the Theological Hall committee to make provisional arrangement for the classes in systematic theology. 2. That inasmuch as the investigation of your committee has brought into view larger issues than those originally contemplated by the assembly, in appointing the committee, a commission of its members be appointed to thoroughly review the whole system of study in our hall, the subjects selected, their distribution, the grouping of the classes, the appointment of the lecturers, and to make suggestions as to the more efficient conduct of the whole system, keeping in view the relation of the hall to the college committee of the Presbyterian Church of Australia. 3. That the committee be discharged, with special thanks to the convener and secretary, the Rev. R. Steel."

The following were appointed the commission on theological studies:—The Revs. John Ferguson, J. Kemp Bruce, R. Hope Waugh, R. G. Macintyre, J. Kinghorn, J. Macauley, E. W. Merrington, R. Steel, and J. Cosh, and Messrs. J. Cameron, J. Kirkland, J. Angus, T. Brown, M.P., J. Dawson, and Dr. Robertson. The Rev. John Ferguson was appointed chairman.

THE LATE DR. JOHN WATSON.

On the motion of the Rev. John Walker it was resolved that: "The assembly has heard with very sincere regret of the death of the Rev. John Watson, D.D., an influential and honoured minister of the Presbyterian Church of England; president elect of the Free Church council of England; and known throughout the world under his literary nom-de plume of 'Ian M'Laren,' and would convey its deep sympathy to the Presbyterian Church in England, and to the family of the late Dr. John Watson."

WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' ASSOCIATION.

The Rev. R. S. Paterson presented the report of the N.S.W. Presbyterian Ministers' Widows and Orphans' Association, which was adopted. It stated that the profit for the year was £221 6s 2d, which had been added to the capital fund, now amounting to £14,166 15s. There were 23 annuitants. No new members had joined, the number on the books standing at 61.

It was pointed out by several speakers that more than half the ministers in the Church had not availed themselves of the provision they might have made through the fund for their widows and orphans in the event of their death.

A CENTRAL CHURCH.

Mr. E. J. Loxton presented a report dealing with the proposal to establish a central church, assembly hall, and church offices, with mission halls worked in connection therewith. He explained that the intention was to do the work now being done by several Churches by one united Church. The Church certainly ought to have a mission field, where good work could be carried on. There should be a strong central organisation, a building wherein ministers and visiting Presbyterians would be able to meet, and a place in which they might have an individual interest.

Dr. Harper said they should turn St. Stephen's into a St. Cuthbert's (Edinburgh), and have there two strong ministers and assistants, who would be glad to have experience of the kind indicated.

The Rev. J. Walker was not sure that it was for the best interests of a city like Sydney that there should be only one Presbyterian Church. It would be very much better to have at least two congregations. He hoped the Assembly would not act hastily in the matter.

Mr. J. Garland said that if the assembly intended at any time to adopt a scheme similar to the one outlined, then the house should put it down at once. If the proceeds of one of the properties dealt with were taken out of the available assets of the Church, then the whole scheme would be put in jeopardy. It was a great opportunity, and, once let slip, might never come again. They had an opportunity now of creating within their midst a great Church worthy of doing much good work, which the restricted conditions of the present Churches absolutely prohibited. Now or never, he said, was the time.

The deliverance was agreed to.

SCOTS COLLEGE COUNCIL.

The following were elected the council of Scots College:—The Revs. R. G. Macintyre, J. Ferguson, J. Kinghorn, Dr. Bruce, A. M'Kinlay, A. A. Aspinall, and Messrs. John Cameron, John Kirkland, Dr. Armstrong, T. Brown, M.P., J. S. Dunlop, and Dr. Robertson.

The Assembly adjourned until 10 a.m. the following day.

R.M.S. BRITANNIA AT FREMANTLE.

FREMANTLE, Wednesday.

The R.M.S. Britannia arrived at 7 o'clock this morning from London, with the following passengers:—

For Adelaide: Mr. and Mrs. Luscombe and infant, Miss Luscombe.

For Melbourne: Messrs. Grigg, Fincom, Ferguson, and Levey; Mesdames Nathan, Bennett, Levey, Fincom, and two children; the Misses Levey (2), Bennett, Nathan, and Appleton.

For Sydney: Lord Powlett and valet; Messrs. Brabagon, Hughes, the Rev. Mr. Smith, Chadwick, Case, Gardiner, Piper, M'Glashan, Cox, the Rev. M. Smith-wick, and Master Reid; Mesdames Brabagon, Burt, Chadwick; the Misses Burt (2), and Sister Dominica.

For Auckland: Messrs. Gorrie, Hobbs, and Dawson; Mesdames Gorrie and Dawson.

For Brisbane: The Rev. Mr. Becker and son.

For Dunedin: Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs. Wadeson.

For Wellington: Miss Daw.

HOW TO CURE A COLD.

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"Australian Women: Their Homes and Their Work." This is the first article of a new feature of the "Sydney Mail." It will be found that as time goes on the page will be an inexhaustible mine for the housewife.—Advt.

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FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.

SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF TEMPERANCE.

The 39th annual session of this society was continued in the Protestant Hall yesterday. The M.W.P., Bro. W. R. A. Kerr, presided, and the attendance of representatives was again very large.

The following resolutions were adopted:—(1) In view of the first local option polls to be taken on the day of the next general election, on the issues of continuance, reduction, and no license, this national division calls on all members of the order to recognise the responsibility imposed upon them, and urges them to vote in favour of "No License," and to use all their influence to induce others to do the same. (2) That the sum of £5 5s be voted to the New South Wales Alliance. (3) That the executive forward a digest of business to representatives at least one week prior to date of future sessions.

Bro. J. P. Treadgold, P.M.W.P., introduced Bro. Alfred Crane, M.W.P., elect, to Bro. Kerr, the retiring M.W.P., who installed the Bro. into his office. Bro. Crane then installed the other officers-elect.

It was unanimously decided that Bro. Kerr be presented with a P.M.W.P.'s regalia and jewel, in recognition of the services rendered by him.

A vote of thanks was accorded the retiring officers for past services. This was acknowledged by Bros. Kerr, Morgan, Asher, and Hunter.

It was decided that the next session be held in the Temperance Hall, Balmain, on the second Tuesday in May, 1908.

MEDICAL INSTITUTES AND DISPENSARIES ASSOCIATION.

The inaugural meeting of this association, formed for the mutual benefit and protection of affiliated institutions, was held in the Dispensary Hall, Balmain, on Monday evening last. Mr. P. A. Power, who had officiated as chairman of the provisional committee, occupied the chair, and representatives were present from Balmain, Sydney, Newtown, Parramatta, North Sydney, and Leichhardt and Petersham.

The election of officers for the first year resulted as follows:—President, Mr. P. A. Power (Balmain); vice-president, Mr. Colleypriest (North Sydney); treasurer, Mr. E. Williams (Newtown); secretary, Mr. J. Button (Parramatta). Three additional members of the executive, Messrs. J. Wagg (Sydney), W. Turnell (Newtown), G. Fitzpatrick (Balmain); auditors, Messrs. P. J. Paterson (Sydney) and Gardyne (North Sydney).

FINANCES OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The article in this day's issue of your paper, while it reads like a tale from the "Arabian Nights," contains one error, that I ask you in fairness to correct.

The writer, making a feeble attempt at wit, describes Darlington as a "pocket-handkerchief borough" of 38 acres. Might I point out that there are various qualities of handkerchiefs, and we claim to be of fine linen, and to have an area of 51 acres, which may be by some considered better than a larger area of shoddy. Then, too, in common fairness, the writer, making contrasts of the municipal finances, and having previously mentioned this municipality, should have noted that there is no loan, that we have valuable assets (not on paper), that our rates for years were 9d, then 1s in £, and only by the Local Government Act were we compelled to increase to fifteen pence, in order to maintain a Government road; and, lastly, justice should have inspired a reference, when writing of overdrafts, to the liability of one shilling and six pence per head of the Darlington people, which probably some people will consider compares favourably with the £11 per head of the city of Sydney.

I am, etc.,
T. PHILLIPS GIBSON,
May 15. Council Clerk.

[The area of the municipality of Darlington is stated by the "Statistical Register," part Local Government, as being 38 acres, but whether 38 or 51 acres, it is such an infinitesimal part of the metropolitan area that the position of its finances in no way affects the argument of the article. Its name was merely mentioned to illustrate the lack of system prevailing at the time of incorporation. To have a Mayor, aldermen, and all the attendant machinery to administer such a small area is little short of ridiculous.—Ed. "S.M.H."]

MORE MOONSHINE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The post-office officials may be amused on reading of the little game they played with a letter of mine that I expected to arrive at my address, faithfully on May 1 from Mosman. The non-receival up to last Saturday caused me to write to my friend in reference to delay, but this (Monday) morning it has just arrived, according to post-marks, via Haymarket (where it was posted May 1), Adelaide, S.A., Melbourne, Victoria, and Canterbury, N.S.W. It bore the legend "more to pay, 2d," but I might mention I was not asked for this. The address on this letter was well and plainly written, and I can produce the cover if required. I am, etc.,

May 13. CHARLES J. WHEELLER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I had the pleasure of a specimen of this light yesterday evening, when, for some reason or other my telephone was apparently trying to do part of the work of the central exchange, being rung up in less than half an hour by six subscribers, four of whom required central, and two others numbers I am perfectly ignorant of. On referring to the exchange I was told that the lines must be crossed. Later on the telephone rang up again, and I could hear someone entreating central, in agonised tones, to put them on to my number, but although I tried to make myself heard by either the central or subscriber, no notice was taken, and in a very few seconds the subscriber and central were both shut off.

This morning I received back a packet which was addressed on the 17th April, and posted to a gentleman at Oxford-street, Waverley. Only 1d stamp was put on it, and as I thought Waverley was well known, did not put N.S.W. The postal authorities, however, sent it to Western Australia, where postal intelligence seems of a high standard, as they at once saw through the trouble, and marked it "Try N.S.W.," and it has now been safely delivered to within a mile and a half to where it was posted. It is very cheap, indeed, only 1d to travel such a long distance. Of course sometimes things are better than this, but this is not a bad sample of what could be noted probably twice a week in the same space of time. I am, etc.,

SUFFERING FEDERALIST.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

HOUSES AND LAND.

H. DUFF and CO.—At the Rooms, at 11.30, Houses, Land, and Shares.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

W. BRADLEY and CO.—At Ormondville, Beach-street, Coogee, at 11, Piano, Furniture, etc.

O. I. KEMPTHORNE.—At Laing House, 51 Cambridge-street, Stanmore, at 11, Furniture, etc.

J. R. LAWSON and LITTLE.—At Kentville, Johnston-street, Annandale, at 11, Billiard Table, Piano, Encyclopaedia, Furniture, etc.

V. H. KELSON.—At the Rooms, at 11 and 2.30, Pianos, Showcase, Gas Stove, Furniture, etc.

J. P. LISTER.—At his Rooms, at 11, Jewellery, Watches, etc.

H. LEVY.—At 361 Cleveland-street, at 2, Clothing, Furniture, etc.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At 639 George-street, at 10.30, Furniture, Plant, and Effects of a Restaurant; at 170 George-street West, at 3, Piano, Furniture, etc.

E. H. BRODRIBB.—At 398 Cleveland-street, at 2.30, Piano, Blankets, Furniture, etc.

D. ELLIOTT and CO.—At Enfield, 163 Wells-street, Redfern, at 2.30, Engravings, Linoleum, Furniture, etc.

STATION PRODUCE.

SYDNEY PRODUCE SELLING BROKERS.—In the Saleroom, Macquarie-place, at 10, Hair, Horns, etc.; at 2.30, Tallow.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Railway Saleyards, at 11, Cows, Calves.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Bazaar, at 10.30, 11, and 11.30, Horses, Vehicles, and Harness.

WHEN YOU ARE KEPT AWAKE at night with that troublesome cough, remember that it can be speedily cured by DR. SHELDON'S NEW DISCOVERY. Price, 1s 6d and 3s per bottle. Obtainable everywhere.—Advt.

CHINESE FAMINE FUND.

The Lord Mayor (Alderman Thos. Hughes) has received the following contributions to the above fund:—

	£	s	d
Amount already acknowledged	841	11	6
W. G. B.	0	10	0
J. C. G.	1	0	0
Mr. John Cole	0	10	0
"Sympathiser"	0	5	0
Rowan's Bonded and Free Stores	2	2	0
Messrs. W. H. Hill and Co.	1	1	0
Collected by Mr. R. M'Millan (Stock and Station Journal), as follows:—			
Humanity	2 0 0		
"A. H."	0 5 0		
Messrs. Brown Bros., Memagong	20 0 0		
W. H.	1 1 0		
A Friend	0 5 0		
	23	11	0
Collected by "Tung Wah Times" Newspaper Co., as follows:—			
Messrs. Robert Reid and Co.	5 0 0		
"Marlborough"	1 0 0		
Messrs. Thos. Aitken and Son	1 1 0		
Mr. Chas. Watkins	1 1 0		
	8	2	0
	£878	15	6

RELIGIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ST. ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL.—70th ANNIVERSARY of the Laying of the Foundation-stone of the Cathedral. SPECIAL SERVICE TO-NIGHT at 7.30. Preacher, Ven. Archdeacon GUNTHER.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF AUSTRALIA, IN THE STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

BUSINESS THIS DAY, THURSDAY, 16th MAY, 1907.

10 a.m.—Report on Presbytery Boundaries; Overture anent prolonged Vacancies; Overture anent Rule 73, Book II.; Petitions for Leave to Sell or Mortgage; Remits; Motion by Rev. Fenwick as to Sunday Entertainments; Motion by Rev. Watts as to Committee on Messenger; Commission of Assembly; Moderator's Closing Address.

JOHN BURGESS, Clerk of Assembly.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL NOTICES.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY.

Notice is hereby given that a PLAN, showing a proposed alteration in the Alignment of Bligh-street, on the East side, near Hunter-street, has been submitted to the Council, and is now lying in the Office of the City Surveyor at the Town Hall, and all persons interested in such public way are hereby required to set forth in writing, addressed and transmitted to the Town Clerk, within one month from the first publication of this notice, any objection to the adoption of such Plan, and also any Claim for compensation for any loss or damage they may sustain by the adoption thereof.

THOMAS H. NESBITT, Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Sydney, 16th May, 1907.

HOTELS.

MANLY IS DELIGHTFUL just now, and the very place for a rest. The accommodation at the HOTEL STEYNE, FACING PACIFIC OCEAN, is ALL that could be desired. Hot sea-water baths and surf bathing all the year round. Tel., 8 Manly.

THE GRAND HOTEL, Melbourne, beautifully situated, healthiest part of the city, opp. Parliament House, Govt. Offices, Fitzroy, and Treasury Gardens. Ladies and families met steamer, train, if advised.

COUNTRY RESORTS.

ANGLERS, WE ARE IN OUR NEW PREMISES, 330-332 GEORGE-STREET. NEXT BUT ONE TO PALING'S. Between Hunter-street and Martin-place. We have just landed a new shipment of "Brims," the Black Bream's delight. Guide to Fishing Spots and Catalogue Free. RAWTAY'S.

KATOOMBA, St. Clair, Leichhardt-st.—Board and Res., own cow, piano, £1 wk., 4s day. Mrs. Evens.

KATOOMBA.—Guilliaume, Lurline-st., a favourite house for tourists, 30s week. Mrs. G. H. Morris.

KATOOMBA.—Apply for Tabrett and Co.'s New List of Properties for Sale, or Furnished Cottages.

WOY WOY.—WATERSIDE FURNISHED COTTAGES.—25 Cottages, all sizes, rents from 17s 6d to any amount, available at various dates. Baths and boats, motor launch, general store, photo. studio. Estate well lighted at night. Write to-day. Telephone (from any Post-office), PHEGAN, 3 Woy Woy. J. L. PHEGAN, Woy Woy.

HOUSES, LAND, ETC., WANTED.

A.A.—Your Property offered at Auction, Fee £1, covers cost of advertising, notice boards, inspection; no other charges unless successful. Lands subdivided. Ernest C. V. Broughton, the Stock Exchange.

A CLEAN RESIDENCE wanted, for £1000 cash, or less, furn. or unfurn., must be cheap, anything dear, also agents' lists, ignored. Send fullest particulars, and exact situation, Visitor, Exchange P.O.

ANNANDALE or L'hardt, nr. tram.—Wanted, Cott., 3 rs., kit., etc, must be gd. order and chp. Cash buyer. Owners comm. with F. P. SHIELS and CO. (late Gall, Co.), 170 Parramatta-rd, An'dale. T., 497.

BUYER waiting for Cottage, about £350, Redfern or S.H. Hy. Harper, agt., 686 Crown-st, S.H.

DARLINGHURST.—Wanted, at once, for exceptional tenant, Furnished HOUSE, 8 rms., accommodation for motor car, rent £3 3s. STANTON and SON, Real Estate Agents, 169 Pitt-st.

EXCHANGE Gent.'s Bk. Cott., 8 rms., Ashfield, will take land as part. Gillies and Co., 88 Pitt-st.

EXCHANGE, Homes in all suburbs, for Land or Terraces. Allen and Co., 117 Pitt-st. T., 4405.

FURNISHED Cottage wanted, at once, Northern sub., 5 or 6 rms., about 30s, gd. ten. Box 1681, G.P.O.

LAND wanted, anywhere, must be suitable for Subdivision. Box 1211, G.P.O.

LAND wanted, Belmore, high position, ¼-acre, near station, cheap, no agents. Cash, Dulw. Hill P.O.

NEW Catalogue, post free, all classes Real Estate. Ernest C. V. Broughton, 118 Pitt-st.

NORTH Sydney.—To Buy or Rent, Cottage, 7 bedrooms. Butler, Agent, Dulwich Hill. T., 236 Pet.

REQUIRE, 2-stall STABLE and Cartshed, near Government Fire Station. Delivery, George-st West.

SURRY HILLS.—Reliable tenant waiting for House, 6 rms., kit. Harper, agent, 686 Crown-st, S.H.

SHOP, LARGE, wanted, in good position, GEORGE-STREET, SHORT LEASE no objection. BONUS given. J. T. WALL and CO., 80A Pitt-street. Tel., 301.

STANMORE TO SUMMER HILL.—Cash Buyer waiting for COTTAGE, 5 or 6 rooms, kitchen, etc., price to £750. ALSO, Buyer for Cottage or House, 6 rooms, kit., etc. Price to £1800. Kindly forward particulars to C. H. CRAMMOND, Leading Estate Agent, Petersham.

TEMPORARY LOANS on Deeds, no registration, no fees. Ernest C. V. Broughton, 118 Pitt-st.

WANTED, at Ryde, Cottage and few acres, about £800. Hugh Duff and Co., 293 George-st.

WANTED to Rent, with view to Purchase, small, high-cl. Boarding-house, no agts. 495, Herald.

WANTED to Rent, small FACTORY, must be in good condition. Apply Factory, Herald, King-st.

WANTED, LAND, 40ft, elevated, sea view preferred, Wav'ley, Bondi, cash, Pars., Ireland, bldr., Bronte.

WANTED, Cottage or House, 4 or 5 rms., kit., conv., £400 to £500. Dental Co., 249 Crown-st.

WANTED, COTTAGE, 4 rooms and kitchen, stables. J. Ford, 143 Forbes-st, Woolloomooloo.

WANTED to buy, Equity of good Rental Property. T. W. Taylor, 5 Moore-st.

WANTED, 5-roomed COTTAGE, rent moderate, must be ready for immediate possession, good locality, option purchase preferred. Replies, Florette, Herald Office.

WANTED to rent, FURNISHED HOUSE, or COTTAGE, Eastern suburbs preferred, 6 rooms and kit., rent up to £2 per wk., from July 1. Apply Box 101, G.P.O.

WANTED, a SHOP PREMISES, in GEORGE-ST., between Railway and Bathurst-street, reliable tenant waiting. Particulars to H. W. HORNING and CO., 88 Pitt-street.

WATCH KENSINGTON GROW.—New Subdivision Auction, SATURDAY, MAY 25, at 3, on Ground. Terms from £5 down, 20s month. Plans. ARTHUR RICKARD and CO., Ltd., 84B Pitt-street.

WANTED TO RENT, Up-to-Date COTTAGE RESIDENCE, handy to city, about 6 rms. and offices, rent up to £100 per annum. Apply W. B., Herald, King-street.

WANTED to rent, a small SHOP, in or very close to city, with one or two living rooms. Rent must be moderate. Urgent, G.P.O., Sydney.

WANTED FOR CASH PURCHASE, a Detached Brick COTTAGE, of 5 rooms, kitchen, etc., about £500, in Annandale. GEO. E. WEATHERILL, Ashfield.

WE HAVE AN URGENT INQUIRY FOR— A SMALL FURNISHED RESIDENCE, within 25 MIN. of G.P.O. Rent not exceed £2 10s. Piano and everything included. SATISFACTORY REFERENCES. H. W. HORNING and CO., 88 Pitt-street.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

THE SHARE MARKET.

There was a totally unexpected change for the better in the tone of the market yesterday morning, with the result that there was an increase in the amount of business recorded, as well as in the prices paid for several stocks.

The cause of the improvements is inexplicable. Certainly, it was not due to an improvement in the London share market. That was plainly seen by the early morning cables, giving the quotations for Australian stocks by the London Stock Exchange on Tuesday. The vagaries of the market during the past month have been so puzzling that most people have given up the attempt to fathom the causes thereof. The members and habitues of the Stock Exchange, however, welcome a change from the lassitude of the past few weeks, no matter what the cause is.

In the copper section, Mount Molloys came into sudden demand, and quickly moved from 23s to 24s 6d. Possibly, this was in consequence of an announcement from the manager that a north drive from the prospecting shaft has cut 2ft of ore, assaying from 30 to 45 per cent. It certainly could not have been on the strength of the smelting operations, because it took 902 tons of ore and sulphide flux to produce 40 tons of blister copper, whilst in the previous fortnight 45 tons were produced from 723 tons of ore and fluxes. Hence, the latest return shows a decrease in the copper contents of the ore and fluxes.

Improved support was accorded to O.K., some 2000 shares changing hands from 10s 6d to 10s 9d, and back to 10s 5½d at noon. Mount Cannindah and M'Gregors receded a fraction, whilst Chillagoes improved a little. There were also better buyers of Hampdens, and Mount Morgans held firm. Munganas were unobtainable at the previous sale rate.

In New South Wales copper stocks, paid-up scrip in the Budgery Mines improved from 9s to 9s 3d, but the rest of the group was practically dead. Queen Bee and Bogan River had sellers, but not buyers, whilst the quotations for Crowl Creek-Shuttleton were too wide for business. Lloyd Copper were still weak. In outside stocks, Wallaroo and Moonta eased 1s 6d.

Owing to the large amount of attention devoted to copper interests, silver shares were, comparatively speaking, neglected, so far as business is concerned. But even here a slightly improved tone prevailed. B.H. Junction North sold at 33s 6d, thus firmly sustaining late quotations. The quotations for the other leading Barrier stocks, though wide, showed considerable firmness on the part of scrip-holders. In the C.S.A. group, paid-up scrip in C.S.A. Mines sold at 29s, and in the C.S.A. Block 10, at 9s and 8s.

Tin mining ventures were in the background. A parcel of Cope's Creek Dredging changed hands at 8s. There were a few inquiries for Dalziell's, Gilmore's, Smith's Creek, Stannary Hills, Vulcans, New Wylie Creek, and Tingha Tin. The business in gold mines was confined to sales in Baker's Creek at 6s 1d, a fractional increase, and Araluen Central (paid), at 8s.

The afternoon saw a considerable falling-off in the volume of business transacted. This was only to be expected, as the morning's operations completed a number of buying commissions. In the copper section, the demand for O.Ks., consequent on the report that the diamond drill at the 300ft level had pierced 10ft of ore, eased a little, and the price of the stock receded from 10s 5½d to 10s 3d, at which it closed firm. Mount Molloys failed to hold the morning rate of 24s 6d, the closing sales being 24s, with sellers at that figure. Wallaroo and Moonta were again operated in at £5 13s, and Crowl Creek-Shuttleton at 7s 9d, eased 3d.

In the silver section, B.H. Junction North advanced 6d, B.H. Junctions remained stationary at 8s 9d, and B.H. South Blocks at 31s 6d. Tin stocks were eclipsed, and in gold shares Baker's Creek eased 2d, whilst Brilliant Extended, contg, changed hands at 5s 10d.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyers. £ s d	Sellers. £ s d
COPPER.		
Bogan River	—	0 7 6
Ditto, contributing	—	0 5 3
Budgery North	—	0 1 3
Ditto, contributing	—	0 0 6
Chillagoe	0 8 6	0 9 4
Crowl Creek, Shuttleton	0 7 6	0 8 0
Girilambone Mining	0 2 4	0 2 7
Glassford Creek	—	0 2 3
Hampden-Cloncurry, paid	0 14 10½	0 15 3
M'Gregor-Cloncurry, paid	0 6 0	0 7 0
Mount Boppy, contributing	0 2 6	—
Mount Cannindah	0 5 5	0 5 8
Mount Molloy	1 3 6	1 4 0
Mungana (Chillagoe)	0 14 0	0 14 5
North Nymagee	—	0 2 1
O.K.	0 10 3	0 10 5
Queen Bee	—	1 7 0
Tasmanian Copper, paid	0 14 0	0 15 6
Wallaroo and Moonta	5 12 6	5 13 6
TIN.		
Dalziell's Tin Mines	0 7 3	0 8 0
Gilmore	0 7 4	0 7 10
Smith's Creek Proprietary	0 7 8	0 8 0
Stannary Hills	0 5 6	0 5 9
Vulcan	0 8 6	—
SILVER.		
New South Wales, etc.		
British Broken Hill	1 19 0	—
Broken Hill Proprietary	4 3 6	—
Ditto, Block 10	5 0 0	—
Ditto, Block 14	1 3 0	1 4 6
Ditto, preference	1 3 6	1 4 6
B.H. Junction	0 8 8	0 8 10
B.H. Junction North	1 13 9	1 14 0
B.H. North	2 11 0	—
B.H. South	7 15 0	—
B.H. South, contributing	7 6 6	7 10 6
B.H. South Blocks	1 10 0	1 11 6
C.S.A., paid	—	1 10 0
New White Leads	0 0 8	—
Sulphide Corporation, ordinary	0 18 3	—
GOLD.		
New South Wales, etc.		
Araluen Steam Shovel, contributing	—	0 8 6
Baker's Creek	0 5 8	0 5 10
Harden	1 5 0	1 8 6
Harden Central, contributing	0 2 7	0 3 0
Harden West	—	0 2 2
Ditto, contributing	—	0 1 3
Mount David	0 0 7½	0 0 8
Myall and Peak Hill, paid	0 0 10	—
New Hillgrove Proprietary	0 9 3	0 9 6
Occidental	—	0 10 6
Sunlight	—	0 1 4
Dredging and Sluicing.		
Amalgamated Tin	0 6 6	0 6 4
Araluen Central	0 7 9	0 8 6
Ditto, contributing	0 6 11	—
Associated Gold Dredging	0 5 0	0 5 3
Buckland River, paid up	0 1 0	—
Ditto, preferential	0 7 6	0 7 11
Cope's Creek	0 7 9	0 8 6
New Wylie Creek	—	0 6 0
Ovens Valley	0 6 8	—
Reform Tin, paid	—	0 6 6
Tingha Tin	—	0 9 9
Ditto, contributing	—	0 8 8
Turon River	0 7 0	0 9 0
Queensland.		
Charters Towers, etc.		
Band of Hope	0 0 11	—
Bonnie Dundee	0 1 0	0 1 3
Brilliant Extended	0 8 0	0 8 6
Ditto, contributing	0 4 5	0 4 7
Kelly's Queen Block	0 4 0	0 4 6
Mount Morgan	4 8 0	—
Queen Central	0 3 10½	0 4 0
Queen Cross Reef	0 3 10	0 4 3
Ruby	—	0 2 9
Victory	0 1 8	0 2 0
Gympie.		
North Columbia and Smithfield, No. 1	0 1 6	0 2 1
Ditto, No. 2	0 12 0	0 13 8
Oriental and Glanmire	0 3 9	0 4 3
South Glanmire and Monkland	—	0 8 0
South Great Eastern, No. 2	0 4 0	0 5 0
Victoria.		
Hustler's Reef	—	1 2 0
Western Australia.		
Chaffer's	—	0 0 10
Great Boulder	1 8 9	—
Ditto, Main Reef	—	0 2 0
Hainault	—	1 13 6
Ivanhoe Junction	—	0 1 1
Queensland Menzies	—	0 2 5
Queen Margaret	0 3 9	—

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

MORNING.

Copper.—Wallaroo and Moonta, £5 13s; M'Gregor's (terms 7 weeks), 6s 9d, 6s 6d; Chillagoes, 8s 10d; O.Ks., 10s 6d, 10s 7d, 10s 9d; terms, 1 month, 10s 6d; ordinary, 10s 6d, 10s 5d, 10s 5½d; Mount Molloys, 24s, 24s 6d; do., terms, 1 month, 24s 6d; ordinary, 24s 3d; Mount Cannindah, 5s 6d; Budgery Mines (paid), 9s 3d.

Silver.—B.H. Junction North, 33s 6d; C.S.A. Block 10, 9s, 8s; C.S.A. Mines (paid), 29s.

Tin.—Cope's Creek Dredging, 8s.

Gold.—Baker's Creek, 6s 1d; Araluen Central (paid), 8s; Occidental, 8s 9d.

AFTERNOON.

Copper.—O.K., 10s 4d, 10s 3d; Crowl Creek—Shuttleton, 7s 9d; Wallaroo and Moonta, £5 13s; Mount Molloys, terms six weeks, 24s 6d, ordinary, 24s.

Silver.—B.H. Junction, 8s 9d; Junction North, 34s; South Blocks, 31s 6d.

Tin.—Nil.

Gold.—Baker's Creek, 5s 10d; Brilliant Extended (contg.), 4s 6d.

MINING NOTES.

The Mount Lyell Company has despatched 800 tons of copper for the current half year.

The Dalziell's Tin Company (Q.) report having crushed 1112 tons of ore for 53 tons 8cwt of tin, of which six tons are seconds.

Messrs. Leonard Dodds and Co. report the sale by tender of 25 tons of Girilambone copper at £103 18s 9d per ton in Sydney.

The Mount Lyell Company (Tas.) has declared a dividend of 1s 3d per share, also a bonus of 2s 3d per share, payable on June 25. This means a distribution of £210,000.

A telegram from the Mount Molloy copper mine yesterday states:—"No. 6 prospecting shaft, south drive, 60ft level, shows 4ft rich ore; no walls."

The Brilliant Central Company (Charters Towers) reports a crushing of 560 tons for gold valued at £1608; and the Ruby Company f15 tons for 958oz.

For the past four weeks the Great Cobar, Limited, treated 11,400 tons of ore for 750 tons of matte, which produced 270 tons of refined copper, 799oz of gold, and 4800oz of silver.

The manager of the Harden West mine reports that a second assay of the reef found in the west end gave a return of 1½oz per ton. The reef has increased in width to 1ft, and looks promising for opening wider.

The manager of the Overflow mine reports:—"During the past fortnight continued crosscut No. 2 17ft through soft claystone, the last few feet showing more mineral and slight indication of copper. The lode should be cut at any time now."

The managing director of the No. 1 South Budgery Copper Company wires from the mine, under date May 13, as follows:—"Have cut hanging wall north-east corner of shaft, practically as I showed you on large plan. Good, strong dip. Strike about north-east, but cannot say exactly. Approximately 20 degrees from vertical. Material, iron-stained quartz."

The ninth half-yearly meeting of the Jembaicumbene Middle Ground Dredging Company was held at the company's offices yesterday. The chairman, Mr. D. P. Dickson, presided. The report and balance-sheet, as presented to the meeting, were adopted. It was decided not to fill the vacancy on the board. Mr. W. Tarleton was reappointed auditor for the ensuing year.

According to a telegram posted at the Stock Exchange, the Mount Molloy Company, for the fortnight ended May 13, smelted 698 tons of ore, and 204 tons of flux sulphides, for 40 tons of blister copper. Development work in the prospecting shaft continues very promising. The north drive has crossed rich ore three feet wide, and assays from 30 to 45 per cent. The surrounding country is kaolin.

The White Rock mine owners have acquired the whole of the Sawpit Gully and White Rock machinery for the working of the mine, and intend shortly to put same into work again on the White Rock mine, under the supervision of Mr. L. Gundlach. He has demonstrated that the values known to be contained in the ore can be economically extracted. It is said that ore carrying over 100oz of silver per ton is being forwarded to the smelting works.

Mr. R. N. Kirk, local secretary for the O.K. copper mine, received the following telegram yesterday from the secretary at Cairns, respecting the operations of the mine for the fortnight ended May 8:—"Furnace in blast 290 hours, and treated 878 tons of ore for 60 tons of blister copper. Owing to temporary stoppage of converter plant, only two-thirds of the matte produced was dealt with, and the balance is held for retreatment. All stopes look well, yielding full requirements. At the 150ft level, south-east crosscut, good make of payable basic sulphides met with. The diamond drill has met a body of payable basic sulphides at a point corresponding to 300ft below the tunnel level."

LOBB'S HOLE COPPER MINE.

As will be seen in another portion of this issue the public is asked to subscribe towards the formation of the Lobb's Hole copper mine, for the purpose of working a very thin but rich vein of copper ore at Lobbs' Hole, near Kiandra. The vein was first opened in 1874, and was worked intermittently up to 1897, when it was acquired by its present owners. Since then it has been worked continuously. The present owners have records of 1760 tons of ore despatched to the smelters, and 70 tons at grass, all of an average grade slightly exceeding 28 per cent. of copper; computed from returns extending over 10 years. In addition, there are at grass upwards of 400 tons of seconds, said to be worth 6 per cent., whilst it is stated that about 1500 tons of seconds have been washed down the river by floods.

It is stated there is an average stoping width of 5½in of 28 per cent. ore, and a similar width of 6 per cent. It has been worked to 120ft, and proved payable for a length of 540ft out of 790ft driven. The mine is said to have produced 512.4 tons of copper, worth (at £80 per ton), £40,992, whilst the ore reserves are valued at £13,328, of which £8500 is regarded as profit.

It is proposed to form the company in 60,000 shares of £1 each. Half of the shares, fully paid up, are to go to the vendors, and the other half are offered to the public, payable 2s 6d per share on application, 2s 6d each on allotment, and the balance in calls, as required. The purchase consideration is fixed at £36,000, of which £6000 is payable in cash and £30,000 in fully paid-up shares.

It is proposed to immediately equip the mine with a more complete hauling and pumping plant, using water power as a prime mover, and to sink the main shaft a further 100 to 150 feet, at which depth levels will be driven. Should this exploration develop the expected reserves of ore a treatment plant will be erected. The promoters expect to deliver blister copper in Sydney, f.o.b., at a cost of £30 per ton.

MINING IN THE STATE.

GOULBURN, Wednesday.

In the Mining Warden's Court yesterday James Armstrong was granted suspension of labour conditions on six mineral leases in the parish of Nerrimunga to erect a crushing plant thereon.

PEAK HILL, Wednesday.

A local syndicate is meeting with very encouraging results in prospecting for copper on Black Snake reef. The latter is on private property owned by Mrs. Jacob Matthews.

Crowhurst's battery at Tomingley has recommenced operations. Mr. R. Golding is engaged cyaniding tailings, with profitable results.

WEST WYALONG, Wednesday.

The large stack at the Golden Fleece, which forms part of the new plant, is now in position. The bed for the 200-horse-power boiler is being prepared, and will soon be completed. A great deal of development work is in progress in order to be prepared for heavy mining operations when the erection of machinery is completed.

The plant at the Called Back mine, four miles out, is now in position, and the water tank completed. The shaft is down 200ft, as deep as the water will permit the sinking to be carried by horse power. The steam machinery cannot be used till a fall of rain puts sufficient water in the supply tank.

Noyes and Co. have sold the Shamrock Cum Waratah mine to the syndicate which has been working it for some time, the purchase money being about £2000. The purchasers have had about twelve months' experience of the property, and having the option of purchase have exercised their right. The manager, Mr. A. A. Duncan, who is also a shareholder, is confident that the investment is a good one.

Mr. G. K. Duncan, who has had charge of Noyes and Co.'s cyanide works here for several years, has taken the plant and about 50,000 tons of once-treated sand on tribute. He expects to put through about 1000 tons per month, and at that rate has over four years' work in hand.

ASSISTING PROSPECTORS.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

The Progress Association last night decided to move in the matter of obtaining a district assayer of minerals for Bathurst. It was stated that parties forwarding stone for assay in Sydney were subjected to inconvenience by delay. It is understood that portion of the assaying plant at the Bathurst Technical College and a district assayer are deemed necessary to cope with the amount of prospecting in the district.

THE COBAR FIELD.

COBAR, Wednesday.

Mining is beginning to brighten up here. There are practically no skilled miners available.

From Rankin's Canbelego Reward a bulk sample was sent to Sydney for assay, and returned gold and silver a trace, copper 5.9 per cent.

At the Budgery mine the stope at the 218 feet level has been carried across from the air shaft to the eastern wall of the north drive. From this place some good ore was raised, also some black ore. The drive at 266 feet is still unchanged, and contains black ore, with seams of mullock. The despatch of ore to Lithgow was resumed last week, the usual 25-ton parcel being forwarded.

TIN-MINING INDUSTRY.

GLEN INNES, Wednesday.

Mining matters generally are progressing favourably. At Tent Hill the Elsie Tin-mining Company have nearly all their machinery in position, and expect to make a start during the week.

Bourke's Hill Company is beginning to make the vicinity a busy-looking place. The pipes are laid from the big dam at Murdering Flat, crossing the Glen Innes road. One engine has been erected at the dam for the purpose of pumping the water into the smaller dams, and another engine has been erected to pump the gravel into the sluice-boxes.

At Stannum, Mr. A. E. Brown's dredging lease has been granted, and it is expected that he will shortly begin dredging operations.

The Stannum Lode Company is raising very rich tin stone from the property they recently purchased from Mr. Worrell, and the lode is improving.

Messrs. Henry and party are working up what appears to be a very good wolfram and bismuth show at Cow Flat, and arrangements are being made to erect a battery to treat the stone.

The Torrington Ore Company is continually running its 10-head battery three shifts, and about 80 hands are employed.

The Elliott Tin-mining and Sluicing Company has completed the construction of the dam for its battery, and will shortly have the latter ready to commence crushing operations.

GOLDEN CONTACT MINES.

ORANGE, Wednesday.

A contract has been accepted for the excavations at the site of the battery to be erected at the Darcy shaft of the Golden Contact mines, Lucknow. It is anticipated that about 1000 tons per month will be crushed. As the Contact can be traced for seven miles southerly, it is anticipated that capital will be attracted thither, as the locality affords a good opportunity for prospecting.

BRITISH B.H. MINE.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

The British Broken Hill mine last week raised the usual fair grade ore from various sections, and despatched 107 tons of carbonates from the Marsh section. From the King section carbonates are now being loaded, and ore from the Blackwood section will be despatched next week. The north drive at the 800ft level is in 607ft towards Thompson's, and may strike the lode any time. Ore is plentiful in all working sections of the mine.

B.H. NORTH MINE.

BROKEN HILL, Wednesday.

At the B.H. North mine the 500ft crosscut off the south drive shows 33ft of ore. The central mullock pass is down 928ft, and shows ore worth over 20 per cent. lead. The crosscut into the ore body at the 800ft level now carries 44ft of good ore; a strong face of sulphides still in evidence.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

To-day's sales and quotations were:—

W.A. mines: Associateds, 27s 4½d, 27s 3d, b 26s 9d, s 27s 6d; Northerns, 19s, b 19s, s 19s 1½d; Callion, paid, 3s 6d, b 3s 4d, s 3s 6d; Perseverance (col.), b 5s 11d, s 6s 3d; Cumberland, 4s 10d, 4s 10½d, 4s 11d, b 4s 11d, s 5s; Boulders, 23s 10½d, 24s, b 23s 10½d, s 24s; Golden Pole, 4s, 4s 0½d, b 4s, s 4s 1d; Golden Ridge, 20s 6d, 21s 6d; Hainault, b 31s 6d, s 32s; Oroya, b 34s 6d, s 35s; Princess Royal, 2s, 2s 1d, 2s 4d, b 2s 2d, s 2s 4d; Margaret, 3s 9d, b 3s 8d, s 3s 9d; Gwalia South, paid, b 19s 3d, s 19s 6d; ditto (pref.), paid, b 25s, s 28s 6d.

Various: Baker's Creek, 6s, 5s 11d, 6s, 5s 10d, b 5s 9d, s 5s 10d; Morgan, b 88s, s 89s 3d.

Silver: Broken Hills, b 85s, s 86s; Block 14, pref. (col.), 24s 9d, b 24s 6d, s 24s 9d; ditto, ord. (col.), b 23s 9d, s 24s 9d; British (old), 40s, b 39s 6d, s 40s; Block 10, b £5 2s, s £5 3s; Junctions, 8s 9d, 8s 9½d, 8s 10d, b 8s 9d, s 8s 10d; Souths, paid, b £7 12s, s £7 15s; South Blocks, 32s, 31s 9d, b 31s 6d, s 32s; Junction North, 33s 6d, 33s 9d, 33s 10½d, b 34s 1½d, s 34s 3d; Sulphides (ord.), b 18s 3d, s 18s 9d; Austral Valley, paid, 4s 7d; Allandale, 11d, 1s, 1s 1d, b 1s 0½d, s 1s 1½d.

Copper: Mount Morgan, b 88s, s 89s 3d; Burra, paid, b 5s 9d, s 6s 2d; ditto, contg, 5s 7d, b 5s 7d, s 5s 10d; Chillagoe, 9s 10d, b 9s 10d, s 10s; ditto, contg, 8s 11d, 9s, b 8s 11d, s 9s 1d; Ruddigore, b £15, s £15 10s; Hampden, 14s 10½d, b 14s 6d, s 15s; Molloys, paid, 24s, 23s 9d, b 23s 9d, s 24s; Mungana, 14s 3d, 14s 1½d, 14s 3d, b 14s 1½d, s 14s 3d; Mutooroo, contg, b 5s 6d, s 6s 1d; O.K., paid, 10s 3d, 10s 10s 4½d, 10s 3d, b 10s 1½d, s 10s 3d; Wallaroo, £5 12s 6d, £5 12s 3d, £5 12s, b £5 11s 6d, s £5 12s 3d.

Tin: Dalziell, b 6s 9d, s 7s 6d; Smith's Creek, 7s 10d, b 7s 9d, s 7s 10d; Stannary Hills, 5s 7½d, 5s 7d, b 5s 6d, s 5s 7d; ditto Debentures, b £15 10s, s £16 5s.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Chillagoe (contg), 8s 11d, 9s 3d, forward 9s, 9s 6d; ditto (paid), forward s 10s 6d; Dalziell's, 7s 3d, 7s 7d; Glassford Creek, s 2s 2d; Mount Cannindah, 5s 3d, 5s 5d; Mount Hector (contg), 33s 6d, 41s; Mount Merlin (contg), £7, £7 10s; Mount Molloy, 23s 6d, 23s 10d, forward b 23s 6d; Mungana, 14s, 14s 2d; O.K., 10s 1d, 10s 3d, forward 10s 6d, 10s 8d; Peak Downs (new), contg 14s 10d, 15s 3d, forward 15s 2d, 16s; ditto (paid), b 15s 8d; Phoenecian, s 1s 7d; ditto (paid), b 2s 6d; Smith's Creek (ordinary), b 7s 9d; South Cannindah (paid), £10, £11.

Sales: Chillagoe (contg), 9s, forward 9s 1½d, 9s 2d; Mungana, 14s, 14s 1½d, 14s 3d; Mount Cannindah, 5s 5d, 5s 4½d, 5s 5d, 5s 4½d, 5s 4d; Mount Molloy, 23s 6d; O.K. (forward), 10s 3d.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Bonnie Dundee, b 1s; Brilliant, b 2s 9d; B. St. George, paid, 6s, 7s 3d; B. Extended, 4s 5d, 4s 9d; ditto, paid, 9s, 9s; Carrington, 5s 7d, 6s; Day Dawn, s 1s 2d; D. D. Gold Mines, 4s, 4s 5d; Mexican, b 1s 9d; ditto, paid, 4s 7d, 5s; Alexandra, 2s 3d, 2s 4d; Kelly's, 3s 8d, 3s 11d; Marshall's, 1s 6½d, 1s 8d; Mill's, 17s 3d, 18s; New B. Freehold, 2s 3d, 2s 6d; New Queen, b 1s 2½d; Phoebe, 1s 9d, 1s 10d; ditto, paid, b 2s 6d; Q. Cross, s 4s 6d; Q. Central, b 3s 4d; ditto, paid, 3s 11d, 4s 3d; Ruby, 2s 6d, 2s 10d.

Sales:—Bonnie Dundee, 1s 1d; B. Extended, 4s 7d, 4s 9d; Kulamadau, 1s; Pfeiffers, paid, 7s 3d; Phoebe, 1s 8d, 1s 9½d; Queen Deep, 9d; Talisman, 8d; Quinn's, 11d; Molloys, 23s, 24s; O.K., 10s 9d.

GYMPIE, Wednesday.

To-day's sales were:—Columbia Smithfield, 8d.

Quotations: Columbia Smithfield, 7d, 1s; No. 1 Columbia, 1s 10d, 2s 6d; No. 2 N. Columbia, 12s 1d, 14s; Monklands, 6s, 7s 6d; No. 2 South Great Eastern, 3s 6d, 5s 3d; Great Northern, 2s 7d, 3s 1d; Oriental and Glanmire, 3s 9d, 4s 2d; No. 1 Oriental, 1s 10d, 2s 2d; Oriental Consols, 10½d, 1s 6d; Smithfield Piles, 6s, 7s 3d; North Smithfield, 3s 3d, 2s 9d; Unions, 4d, 10d; Wilmots, 6d, 1s.

LAUNCESTON, Wednesday.

To-day's quotations were:—Tasmania, s 19s; Magnet, b 26s 6d, s 29s; North Farrell, b 22s, s 24s; Mount Lyell, b 48s 6d; Tasmanian Copper, b 15s, s 15s 8d; Mount Bischoff, b £20, s £21; Arba, b 21s; Pioneer, s £9; Weir's, s 3s 6d; Wynford, b 4d.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

To-day's sales and quotations were:—

Silver: Block 10, b £5 1s; Block 14, b 23s 6d; ditto pref., b 24s 3d, s 24s 9d; British Broken Hill, b 39s; Broken Hill, b 85s 6d, s 86s 6d; Junction, 8s 8d, b 8s 7d, s 8s 8d; Junction North, 33s 4½d, 33s 6d, b 34s; Souths, paid, b £7 11s; South Blocks, 31s 9d, b 31s 9d, s 32s; New White Leads, b 9d; North Broken Hill, 74s, 73s 9d, b 73s 9d, s 74s; Austral Valley, paid, 4s 6d, s 7s.

Gold and copper: Mount Lyell, 48s 3d, 48s, b 48s, s 48s 9d; Tasman and Crown Extended, 1s 8d, 2s, b 1s 11½d, s 2s; ditto, paid, 1s 3½d, b 1s 2d, s 1s 3½d; Chillagoe, 9s 11d, 9s 10d, b 9s 10d, s 9s 11d; Hampden, 14s 10d, 14s 9d, b 14s 10d, s 15s; Macgregor, b 6s 6d, s 6s 8d; Mount Cannindah, 5s 5d, b 5s 4d, s 5s 5d; Mount Elliott, b 58s 6d, s 60s; Mount Hope, 2s 11d, 2s 10d, b 2s 9d, s 2s 10d; ditto, paid, b 2s 9d; Mount Molloy, 22s, b 24s, s 24s 6d; Mungana, 14s 1d, 14s 3d, b 14s 2d, s 14s 3d; O. K. Copper, b 10s; ditto, Adelaide register, 10s 6d, 10s 4d, b 10s 3d, s 10s 4d; ditto Queensland register, b 10s; Peak Downs, b 62s; Collington (S.A.), 2s 6d, s 2s 9d.

Tin: Amalgamated Tin, s 6s 6d; Briseis, b 12s 2d, s 13s 7d; ditto Extended, s 30s; Brothers No. 1, 16s, b 16s, s 16s 6d; Cope's Creek Central, pref., s 21s; Melbourne Cope's Creek, b 13s 3d, s 13s 9d; ditto (paid), 13s 6d; Pioneer Extended, 4s 8d, 4s 9d, b 4s 6d, s 4s 11d; Tingha Consols, pref., 4s.

Victorian gold mines: All Nations, 1s 2d, 1s 3d, b 1s 3d; Birthday New Find, 3s, b 3s 11d, s 3s 4d; Catherine Reef, b 27s, s 28s 9d; Collmann and Tacchi, 10s 4d, b 10s 4d, s 10s 6d; Diamond Creek, 2s 5d, 2s 6d, b 2s 3d, s 2s 5d; Florence, 4s 6d, b 3s 6d, s 4s 4d; Glenfine South, 1s 11d, b 2s 3d, s 2s 6d; Goldfields Consols, 13s 6d, 13s 5d, b 13s 4d, s 13s 6d; ditto North, 9s 11d, b 9s 8d, s 10s; Great Southern, b 22s, s 25s; ditto Consols, 3s 3d, b 3s 2d, s 3s 3d; North Hustler's Reef, s 23s; Long Tunnel, 86s, b 83s, s 88s; Melville Star, 1s 1d, b 1s 0½d, s 1s 1d; Mons Meg, 1s 3d, b 1s 3d, s 1s 4d; New Argus, s 21s; New Chum Goldfields, 20s, b 20s, s 20s 3d; New Dempsey, 12s, 12s 3d, b 12s 1d; New Moon, 80s; North Bendigo, 6s 9d, b 6s 9d, s 7s; North Woah Hawp, 4s 10d; Nuggetty Ajax, 20s 6d, b 20s 3d, s 20s 9d; Old Jubilee, 3s 9d, 3s 10d, b 3s 9d, s 4s; Port Arthur, No. 1, 2s 5d; Sailor's Falls, 5s 9d, 5s 11d; Slater and Welsh (paid), 2s 9d; South German, 29s, b 29s, s 29s 3d; South New Moon, 86s, s 80s; Spring Hill Leads, 1s 9d, 2s, b 1s 11d, s 2s 6d; Wallaby, 4s, b 3s 6d, s 4s.

Western Australian gold mines: Barrambie Ranges, 14s 3d, 14s 9d, b 14s 9d, s 15s; Barrambie South, b 2s 4d; Black Range, b 45s, s 50s; Havilah, 22s 6d, b 22s 6d, s 22s 9d; Mararoa, b 4s; Queen Margaret, b 3s 6d, s 4s.

B. H. JUNCTION NORTH MINE.

IMPROVEMENT IN FINANCIAL RESULTS.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

During the three weeks and six days ended April 27, the B. H. Junction North Company treated 2773 tons of ore, producing 279 tons of lead, and 14,800oz of silver, valued in all at £7281. Working and developing costs amounted to £6227, leaving a profit of £1314.

THE AUSTRAL VALLEY MINE.

ZEEHAN, Wednesday.

At the Austral Valley mine, the east crosscut at the 300ft level is in 80ft, and the manager expects to cut the main lode this week. In the west crosscut the lode is 3ft, carrying carbonates of iron, with veins of galena. The west crosscut at the 140ft level has passed through three veins of ore west of the west lode, the largest 1ft wide, consisting of carbonate of iron and galena. High grade smelting sulphide is being broken from the first and wing stopes at No. 4 level. The ore on the Hercules lode is now 22ft wide, and appears to be widening. "B" lode is yielding large quantities of sulphides. The Dawson lode is being worked 38ft wide, and is yielding smelting sulphide. The output for the week was 450 tons of sulphide and 65 tons of zinc blende. Hopes are entertained that the company will shortly attack the copper ore deposit, which promises to yield well.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN SILVER MINE.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

Mr. G. P. Doolette on Wednesday secured an option over the Talisker mine. The property is south of Adelaide, and 30 years ago was extensively mined for silver. He intends to unwater the mine, and test it before deciding to take further steps.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN MINES.

KALGOORLIE, Wednesday.

Some interesting deep level development is now in progress at three different points on the eastern side of the Golden Mile. The 1600ft level crosscut, in the Lake View Consols, is being extended across the southern portion of the Oroya South Block, to try and pick up the continuation of the lode worked in the higher ground from the main shaft in the latter lease, and at a point a few hundred feet north of where the crosscut is being driven. Another important piece of work in this locality is the carrying of the crosscut west from the seventh level in the Oroya shaft into the adjoining Central and West Boulder lease, to test the property at that depth. About half a mile further southward, along the belt in the Brown Hill lease, a crosscut is being driven in an easterly direction from the 7th level to test the country lying north of the Brown Hill Extended lease.

Mr. J. A. Agnew has become a partner in Bewick, Moreing, and Co.'s Western Australian business. This arrangement does not affect the position of Mr. W. J. Loring, the firm's representative in Australasia, who still remains a partner in the business in this State.

The tributors of the Brown Hill Extended lease are doing very well. One party is now crushing a parcel of 300 tons, which is expected to yield at the rate of 15dwt per ton.

LONDON SHARE MARKET.

LONDON, May 15.

On the Stock Exchange yesterday quotations of Australian mining ventures were:—Broken Hill Proprietary, b 82s 6d, s 83s 9d; British Broken Hill, b 38s 1d, s 39s 6d; Block 10, b 98s 9d, s 101s 3d; North Broken Hill, b 71s 3d, s 73s 9d; South Broken Hill, b £7 12s 6d, s £7 15s; Mount Lyell, b 47s 6d, s 48s 6d.

Private cables state that amongst the shares quoted on the London Stock Exchange on Tuesday were the following:—Mungana, b 14s 3d; Mount Elliott, 59s 4½d (m); Hampden, s 15s; Broken Hill, 84s 3d (m); British Broken Hill, 38s 9d (m); Zinc Corporation, s 16s; North Broken Hill, 72s 6d; Mount Molloy, 23s 9d.

MINING DIVIDENDS.

Dividends have been declared payable on the dates mentioned hereunder. C. denotes when transfer books close, and P. when payable:—

NEW SOUTH WALES.	s. d.
Oven's Valley Dredging, C. June 22, P. June 25	0 5
Harden Gold Mine, C. June 1, P. June 5	0 6
British B. H., C. May 2, P. May 20	2 0
B.H. Block 14, C. May 8, P. May 22	2 0
Broken Hill South, C. May 3, P. May 18	4 0
Cope's Creek Central, C. May 22, P. June 3	1 0
Melbourne Cope's Creek, C. May 15, P. May 30	0 6
VICTORIA.	
South Golden Point, P. June 25	20 0
Llanberris No. 1, C. May 16, P. May 21	0 6
Victoria United, C. May 14, P. May 20	0 6
Virginia, C. May 14, P. May 16	1 0
New Argus, C. May 14, P. May 16	1 0
New Chum Goldfields, C. May 14, P. May 16	1 0
QUEENSLAND.	
Stanthorpe Tin, C. June 14, P. June 18	0 6
Endeavour and Leslie, P. June 4	10 0
Kelly's Queen Block, C. May 24, P. May 31	0 6
Mount Molloy, P. June 1	0 6
TASMANIA.	
Briseis, C. May 13, P. May 28	0 2
New Brothers' Home, No. 1, May 29	0 6
North Mount Farrell, C. May 24, P. June 1	1 0
Mount Lyell, C. May 27, P. June 15	3 6

RAILWAY ALTERATIONS.

THE WINTER TIME TABLE.

The Railway Department intimates that commencing with Sunday next, 19th inst, the time table for the winter months will be introduced. Although a number of trains will be discontinued to the tourist resorts during the winter, the requirements of the regular traffic throughout the lines generally has had every consideration, and a number of additional trains are to be provided.

On the Southern line the early morning train from Moss Vale will leave at 6.15 a.m., arriving at Sydney at 8.59 a.m., instead of 9.40 a.m. This arrangement has been pressed for by business people for some time, and will encourage settlement in the southern hills. An additional train will leave Granville at 3.11 p.m., Saturdays excepted (connecting with the 2.50 p.m. train from Sydney) for Liverpool, and an additional train will leave Liverpool for Granville at 3.38 p.m., Saturdays excepted, connecting at the latter station with the Goulburn train at 4.8 p.m. The mail train from Albury to Sydney will start at 2.40 p.m. instead of 2.45 p.m.

On the Western line the additional services provided to the tourist resorts during the summer months will be withdrawn. The following trains will be discontinued:—4.3 p.m. and 4.55 p.m. Sydney to Mount Victoria on Fridays, 8.10 a.m. Sydney to Katoomba on Saturdays, 2.25 p.m. Sydney to Mount Victoria on Saturdays, 6.40 a.m. Mount Victoria to Sydney on Mondays, and the 1.47 p.m. train Katoomba to Sydney on Saturdays and Mondays. The 8.25 a.m. Saturday train, Sydney to Bathurst, will be discontinued west of Eskbank. The 6.20 p.m. train Mount Victoria to Penrith on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays will be discontinued. The 1.30 p.m. train, Saturdays excepted, Sydney to Penrith, will be altered to start at 1.25 p.m. An additional train will leave Sydney for Penrith at 12.27 p.m. on Saturdays only, and one from Penrith at 10.55 a.m. on Saturdays for Granville. The through Western mail Sydney to Bourke will be accelerated to arrive at Bourke at 5.30 p.m. instead of 6 p.m., and the mail train from Bourke will leave at 9.10 a.m. instead of 8.45 a.m.

On the Cobar line an additional train will leave Nyngan for Cobar on Wednesdays only at 2.50 p.m., connecting with the mail train from Bourke.

On the Northern line some important alterations are to be made, as the increasing business on that line is becoming a tax on the existing facilities. The mail train from Moree to Sydney will leave earlier and be accelerated so as to arrive in Sydney at 6.45 a.m. instead of 10.30 a.m. An additional train will run daily, Sundays excepted, from West Maitland to Sydney, and another from Werris Creek to Glen Innes, returning the same day to Werris Creek. The 8.55 a.m. Sunday train Sydney to Gosford and the 7.30 p.m. Sunday train Gosford to Sydney will be discontinued. The 9.35 a.m. Sunday train Sydney to Newcastle will be altered to leave Sydney at 9 a.m. The 8.15 a.m. Saturday train Sydney to Newcastle will be discontinued. The times of the mail trains are to be altered intermediately.

On the Strathfield-Hornsby service, the 6.30 a.m. train, Hornsby to Strathfield, will start five minutes earlier. An additional train will leave Sydney for Hornsby daily, Sundays excepted, at 7 a.m., taking up the times of the present 7.15 a.m. train from Strathfield to Hornsby. The 7.12 p.m. Sunday train, Hornsby to Strathfield, will start nine minutes earlier.

A number of alterations are also to be made in connection with the Newcastle-Toronto, and the Newcastle-Maitland-Morpeth services.

On the Milson's Point-Hornsby service, the 5.40 p.m. train, Saturdays excepted, from Hornsby to Milson's Point, will call at Gordon.

A number of alterations in the existing times in connection with local services on a number of branch lines are also to be made.

On the main suburban line a new train will leave Parramatta for Sydney, Saturdays excepted, at 1.30 p.m., and an additional train will leave Sydney (Saturdays excepted), at the same time for Parramatta. The present 1.30 p.m. train will leave 5 minutes earlier, and cease calling at several suburban stations. A new train will leave Homebush at 8.18 a.m., arriving at Sydney at 8.38 a.m. The 6.24 p.m. train, Saturdays excepted, Sydney to Ashfield, will cease calling at Petersham. An additional train will leave Sydney at 4.28 p.m., Saturdays excepted, for Homebush, calling only at Petersham and stations beyond. The 5.30 p.m. train, Saturdays excepted, Ashfield to Sydney, will be withdrawn, and the 5 p.m. train, Saturdays excepted, Parramatta to Sydney, will cease to call at Burwood, Croydon, Ashfield, and Summer Hill. On Sundays a new train will leave Sydney at 9.10 p.m., and the 7.55 p.m. train, Homebush to Sydney, will start 5 minutes earlier.

On the Illawarra line a number of additional trains will call at Banksia. An additional train will leave Sydney at 1.19 p.m. on Saturdays only for Arncliffe, calling at Sydenham and Tempe only. The 6.50 a.m. train, Hurstville to Sydney, will be discontinued between Hurstville and Arncliffe. An additional train will leave Hurstville at 7.3 a.m., calling at all stations up to Arncliffe, also at Redfern. The 7.25 a.m. train, Hurstville to Sydney, will run two minutes earlier, and the 7.15 a.m. train from the same station will start a minute earlier, and cease calling at Sydenham, St. Peters, and Erskineville. The present 7.39 a.m. train, Rockdale to Sydney, will be discontinued between Rockdale and Arncliffe. An additional train will leave Hurstville at 7.22 a.m., calling at all stations up to Tempe, and then at Redfern. The 2 p.m. train on Wednesdays, Sydney to National Park, and the 6 p.m. from National Park, will be discontinued. The 6.20 p.m. (Saturdays excepted) train, Sydney to Hurstville, will cease calling at Sydenham. A new train (Saturdays only) will leave Sydney at 12.7 p.m. for Tempe and all stations beyond up to Hurstville. On Sundays the 9 a.m. train, Sydney to National Park and 10.3 a.m. train, National Park to Sydney, will be withdrawn; the 10.20 a.m. train, Sydney to Hurstville, will be extended to Como, and the 11.33 a.m. train, National Park to Sydney, will be discontinued between National Park and Como; the 10.40 a.m. train, Sydney to National Park, will be withdrawn; a new train will leave Hurstville for Sydney at 2.20 p.m., calling at all stations, and another at 1.40 p.m., from Sydney to Hurstville; the 5.48 p.m. train, Sydney to Sutherland, will be withdrawn, also the 7 p.m. National Park to Sydney, and 7.20 p.m., Sutherland to Sydney; the 7.25 p.m. train, National Park to Sydney, will start 5 minutes earlier, and call at additional stations. A new train will leave Sydney on Sundays also at 8.40 p.m. for Hurstville, calling at all stations, and another from Hurstville at 9.25 p.m.

On the Belmore line additional trains will be run from Sydney to Belmore at 8.37 a.m., at 3.20 p.m., and (Saturdays excepted), at 6.22 p.m. An additional train will leave Belmore at 3.35 p.m.

In addition to the above, a number of minor alterations will be made in the train services on the various main and branch lines, particulars of which will be shown in the published tables.

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SPORTING.

THE TURF.

At Randwick yesterday morning Cockney Boy (Montgomery) and Surgeon (Seastream) were bracketed for some practice over the schooling hurdles, but at the second set Cockney Boy hit hard, giving his rider a rough fall. After a short spell he recovered. After falling Cockney Boy bolted twice round the "magpie" track, but was caught before he sustained any damage. Meanwhile Surgeon had jumped six sets in good style. Another to jump was Cambooya II., who, piloted by Seastream, got over six hurdles in excellent fashion.

In addition to the horses mentioned in yesterday's issue as leaving by the steamer Fortunatus for India on Friday, Mr. J. Rowan will ship the Huret gelding Huret Boy and the racing pony Locket by the same vessel.

Mr. J. Wren's trotting meeting in Melbourne on Monday was responsible for the largest attendance ever brought together in Victoria at that class of sport. The races were of the most exciting description, three of the six being victories "by a head." The times, however, were not as fast as was expected they would be in the Champions' Handicap, which was won by Mr. Robert Miller's horse St. Elmo, bred and owned in New South Wales. The Champions' Handicap was raced in mile heats, best two out of three, St. Elmo winning two straight heats in 2m 25⅗s and 2m 27 4-5s respectively. St. Elmo's record is 2m 23⅗s, made on Ascot course, Sydney, whilst Vaunt has a two-mile record of 4m 43 4-5s, but the latter could do no better than fill third place in the second heat. Mr. Robert Beckett's Sydney mare The Pearl started an even money favourite for the 2.35 class trot, and was compelled to put up the fast time of 2m 31 2-5s to win by a head from Ethylene. She now has three wins for three starts. St. Elmo is by Elmo II. from a mare by Bentwood, one of the bluest blood horses in Australasia, bred by Dr. G. M. Slate, of Sydney. St. Elmo is to stand the season this year at Windsor, and his win in the champions' race should enhance his value as a sire.

The Palmist evidently retains some of his old form. Last week he won the principal double at Goulburn, and followed this up yesterday by easily winning the Cup at the Gundagai Racing Club's Annual Meeting.

As a rule the Kensington Racing Club is well up to time in getting through its programme, but yesterday was an exception, due, however, to circumstances for which the club could not be held responsible. In the first place, the large number of horses left in the Novice Handicap made it necessary to run that event in two divisions. Then the last two events resulted in dead heats, and as the owners decided to run off the programme was extended to 10 races. In the run-off for the Kensington Handicap Nestor put up a good performance in accounting for Generia. This was his third run during the day, as he had also taken part in the Fifteen Hands Handicap, his form in that event being a good deal below what he showed later on.

The Australian Jockey Club's programme for the Prince of Wales Birthday meeting is published in our business columns. The prize-money for the two days amounts to 1900 sovs., and owners of jumpers should note they have been particularly well provided for. Entries close at 4 p.m. on Monday next.

Mentor is reported to have died at Sir Samuel M'Caughey's Yanko station, in Riverina. Mentor, who was by Swiveller from Nightmare, proved himself one of the best racehorses in Australia in the spring of 1888, winning, besides the Melbourne Cup, for which he was heavily backed, the Caulfield Stakes, Royal Park Stakes, and Canterbury Stakes at weight for age. He got some winners at the stud, but nothing approaching the same class as himself.

Maid of Lancaster and Malt Rose have been scratched for the Apprentices' Handicap, to be run at Rosehill on Saturday.

Trainers' and jockeys' tickets for the Rosehill meeting will be issued up to 4 p.m. to-day.

The Newcastle jockeys, Woods and Johns, were in good form at the Tamworth meeting yesterday, the former winning the first two and the latter the last two races on the programme. The Sydney jockey, C. Bolton, who had the mount on N. and R. in the principal event, was the only other rider to score a win.

M.M.M. is the new name for the Russley-Black Angel gelding lately known as The Doomed.

Ganara, Visitor, and Guest have arrived at Rosehill.

N. and R., who won the Tamworth Jockey Club's Handicap yesterday, is another of those useful, hardy Ruenalfs, and has been a fair performer at meetings in the northern districts. He hails from Singleton, and was bred by Mr. Thomas Cook, of Turanville, on the Hunter. The race was a particularly good betting one, and there was a nice price offering against the winner if his connections had wanted to back him.

Our Adelaide correspondent wires it has been decided that Step Out shall fulfil his engagement in the City Handicap, and he will reach Adelaide on Friday night.

Sea Gold, who was badly knocked about in the Hurdle Race at Warwick Farm on Saturday, and was left at the homestead stables after the meeting, has recovered sufficiently to return to her old quarters, though it is doubtful if she will race again.

Hay Licensed Victuallers' Meeting on July 26 has been registered by the A.J.C.

The Wilton Park-bred Brian Boru followed up his success in the Williamstown Trial Stakes on Saturday by winning the Sandown Plate at Sandown Park yesterday. The son of Haut Brion was well backed, notwithstanding his failure in the Trial Handicap earlier in the day. Dromedary, of whom backers here will have many painful recollections, was also returned a winner at the meeting, the Gozo gelding placing the Jumpers' Flat Race to his credit.

Entries for the Ascot Racing Club's meeting on Wednesday next close at 5 p.m. to-day. Full particulars are advertised.

ALLEGED FALSE START.

CLAIM BY OWNERS.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

A case arising out of the alleged false start in the Trial Stakes at Tattersall's meeting at Morphettville on April 6 came before Mr. Justice Homburg in the Supreme Court to-day. H. P. M'Lachlan and H. Hopwood, owners of Carl Dour, sued the club for the stake, £65, as well as £67 10s, which represented the totalisator dividend on £15 worth of tickets, had the dividend been declared on Carl Dour. It was shown that when the barrier was released Carl Dour and Rosalie were the only horses which did not respond to the starter when he called out "Come back," and Carl Dour won. The horses were sent back to the barrier, and in what the stewards declared to be a true race Coronna won. Evidence for the prosecution had not been completed when the Court adjourned till the following day.

TAMWORTH JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

FIRST DAY.

N. AND R. WINS THE PRINCIPAL EVENT.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

TAMWORTH, Wednesday.

The annual meeting of the Tamworth Jockey Club commenced to-day in fine but unseasonably warm weather. The attendance was exceptionally large, and the track was fast, but dry and dusty, and rain is badly needed in the district. Metropolitan sportsmen attended in force, while Newcastle was strongly represented by horses and men. The club registered 40 bookmakers, among them three prominent Sydney men. Speculation was brisk, and the prices exceptionally liberal. For the principal race 11 ran, and 6 to 1 was offered on the field at the opening of business. At the finish Fascinator was favourite at 7 to 2, but 8 to 1 was got earlier. For this race seven horses were backed at inside of 10 to 1. There was but slight demand for the winner, N. and R., while Miss Gladys and Neptunus, who finished second and third respectively, were outsiders. The winner was admirably ridden by the Sydney jockey, Bolton. For the greater part of the journey the runner-up was Miss Idalia, a daughter of the Grand Flaneur horse Sinner, but she came with a brilliant run from the turn, securing second money from the Albatross gelding Neptunus, who had paced the winner for over a mile. The time, 2m 9s, is a record for the course.

Proceedings began with the Opening Handicap, for which the top weight, the Dalmeny mare Adele, was a strong favourite, but Zelle, a smart daughter of imported Merv, and a stable mate of N. and R., led all the way, and beat the favourite handsomely. The Newcastle contingent scored over the Park Stakes, won by Miss Jena, who beat the favourite, Novelty, after an interesting engagement. There was a lot of betting on the Welter between the followers of Sir Faust, Sea Song, The Climax, and others. The firstnamed was the best favourite, but ran badly, and the race resulted in a fine battle between The Climax and Ginger. The former, who is a son of the Trenton horse Climax, won by a neck. The sport wound up with the Borough Handicap, eight starting, and six of them were backed. Wee Willie and the Sydney-trained Ranmore cleared right out, but the latter was done with in the straight, leaving the Simmer mare Miss Chance to fight it out with Wee Willie, who won by a neck, but he had to undergo the ordeal of a protest for bumping. After consideration the stewards dismissed the objection. The meeting was carried out with clockwork precision by Mr. C. J. Britten and his assistants, the weight of the work falling on Mr. V. I. Cohen, assistant honorary secretary, to whom the success of the arrangements was mainly due. Results:—

Opening Handicap of 35 sovs., 6f.—Mr. T. M'Gowan's Zelle, by Merv, 7st 10lb (A. Woods), 1; Mr. A. M'Innes's Adele, 9st 10lb (D. M'Carthy), 2; Mr. B. Overton's Conne, 6st 7lb (A. Woods), 3. Other starters: Casique, 8st 5lb (Cushan); Simmerelle, 8st (Walker); P.J.F., 7st 8lb (C. Thomas); Sweet Song, 7st 4lb (Devereux); Crowfoot, 7st (Scowen); Fairy Lock, 7st (Hall); Wrenella, 6st 7lb (Coulton); Celerity, 6st 7lb (F. M'Carthy). Betting: 9 to 4 v Adele, 5 to 1 v Crowfoot, 7 to 1 each v Conne and Zelle, 8 to 1 each v Fairy Lock and Casique, 10 to 1 v Sweet Song, 12 to 1 each v Celerity and Wrenella, 14 to 1 v P.J.F. Sweet Song and Wrenella were slow to begin, but Zelle, Adele, Simmerelle, and Conne got away well. Zelle soon took up the running, and, practically leading all the way, won easily by four lengths from Adele, who beat Conne by half a length. Casique and Simmerelle were close up next, and Sweet Song last. Time, 1m 16s.

Park Stakes of 35 sovs., 6f.—Mr. E. Mayo's Miss Jena, by Stockwell, 7st 7lb (Woods), 1; Mr. P. M'Carthy's Novelty, 8st 9lb (D. M'Carthy), 2; Mr. W. Mascotte's Triceps, 8st (C. Thomas), 3. Other starters: Welcome Nugget, 8st (Johns); Varsovians, 7st 9lb (Scowen); Little Sister, 7st 9lb (Byron); Dormaid, 7st 7lb (Mitten); Simmerand, 7st 12lb, including 5lb over (Simmons). Betting: 2 to 1 v Novelty, 4 to 1 v Triceps, 5 to 1 v Miss Jena, 6 to 1 v Welcome Nugget, 10 to 1 v Doormaid. Varsovians delayed at the start, and lost considerable ground when the word was given to go, and Doormaid was left at the post. Novelty and Welcome Nugget were first off, but at half way Novelty and Miss Jena were out together, four lengths clear of Triceps and Varsovians. A great battle up the straight ended in a length win for Miss Jena, with Triceps a similar distance off third. Welcome Nugget was next, with Dormaid last. Time, 1m 16⅘s.

Tamworth Jockey Club Handicap of 110 sovs, 1¼m.—Mr. T. M'Gowan's N. and R., by Ruenalf, 7st 10lb (Bolton), 1; Mr. J. Cushan's Miss Idalia, 7st 13lb (Cushan), 2; Mrs. E. O'Conner's Neptunus, 7st 7lb (Havord), 3. Other starters: First Consul, 9st 4lb (D. M'Carthy); Simniloquist, 8st 11lb (Simmons); Ranmore, 8st 4lb (Clayton); Fascinator, 8st 2lb (Gilmore); Chronograph, 8st (Mitten); Wee Willie, 7st 11lb (Johns); Indicia, 7st 7lb (A. Woods); Blackthorne, 6st 7lb (Scowen). Betting: 7 to 2 v Fascinator, 5 to 1 each v First Consul and Indicia, 8 to 1 each Ranmore and Simniloquist, 7 to 1 each v Blackthorn and Wee Willie, 10 to 1 v N. and R., 15 to 1 v Chronograph, 20 to 1 each v Miss Idalia and Neptunus. Indicia and First Consul got the best out of a moderate start, and passing the stand N. and R. was a length in front of Wee Willie and Chronograph, whose nearest attendants were First Consul and Ranmore, the field being whipped in by Blackthorne and Miss Idalia. Much the same order was maintained along the back to the bend, where N. and R. increased his lead, and piloted Neptunus and Ranmore into the straight, while Miss Idalia headed the others. Once in line for the judge's box N. and R. drew right away, and won easily by three lengths from Miss Idalia, who, with a late run, cut Neptunus out of second money by half a length. First Consul and Indicia were together fourth, three lengths away, and just in front of Ranmore, while Chronograph was the last to get home. Time, 2m 9s.

Welter Handicap, 40 sovs, 7f.—Mr. J. Nolan's The Climax, by Climax, 8st 13lb (Johns), 1; Mr. G. George's Ginger, 9st 4lb (Gilmore), 2; Mr. H. R. Munro's Welcome Nugget, 8st 7lb (Walker), 3. Other starters: Sir Faust, 10st 6lb (D. M'Carthy); Casique, 10st (Cushan); Similar, 9st 7lb (Havord); Sweet Song, 9st 4lb (M'Kenzie); Crowfoot, 9st (Clayton); Triceps, 8st 7lb (C. Thomas); Refiner, 8st 7lb (Simmons); Dundee, 8st 7lb (Rolls); Dozey Lad, 8st 7lb (Byron). Betting: 3 to 1 v Sir Faust, 4 to 1 v Sweet Song, 5 to 1 v The Climax, 7 to 1 v Crowfoot, 8 to 1 each v Triceps and Ginger, 10 to 1 each v Similar and Casique, 12 to 1 v Welcome Nugget, 20 to 1 v others. Casique immediately took charge from The Climax, and without material alteration they ran into the straight. At the half-distance The Climax challenged Casique, and after an interesting engagement beat him by a neck. Welcome Nugget was three lengths off third, and a head in front of Triceps and Sweet Song. Time, 1m 30s.

Borough Handicap of 45 sovs, 1m.—Mr. H. R. Munro's Wee Willie, by Sir William, 7st 9lb (Johns), 1; Mrs. E. Connor's Miss Chance, 6st 7lb (Hall), 2; Mr. J. Gallagher's Blackthorne, 6st 12lb (Scowen), 3. Other starters: Queenie's Court, 10st (Scott); Ranmore, 8st 6lb (Clayton); Bulli, 8st 4lb (Gilmore); Eric, 7st 12lb (Woods); Mollyhawk, 7st 4lb (F. M'Carthy). Betting: 4 to 1 each v Wee Willie and Miss Chance, 5 to 1 v Mollyhawk, 6 to 1 v Bulli, 7 to 1 each v Ranmore and Eric, 10 to 1 v others. A bad start, but when they had settled down Ranmore and Wee Willie cleared out some eight lengths from Miss Chance, who headed the others, and so they ran to the straight, where Ranmore compounded, and Miss Chance tackled Wee Willie with a determined run at the distance. There was some bumping between the leaders, but getting clear they settled down to a desperate finish, which ended in favour of Wee Willie by a neck. Blackthorne was 10 lengths off third, just in advance of Queenie's Court, Bulli, and Mollyhawk. Time, 1m 44s.

SANDOWN RACES.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

Fine mild weather prevailed for the Sandown Park races to-day, and the meeting was well patronised. Results:—

Trial Handicap, 5f.—Mr. Mills's Powerscourt, by Froude—Menace, 7st 9lb (S. D. Fisher), 1; Mr. M'Arthur's Scotch Mist, 8st 11lb (S. Memery), 2; Mr. Smith's Hecuba, 7st 5lb (D. M'Cowan), 3. Other starters: Brian Boru, 8st 12lb; Chesternaid, 8st 3lb; Florist, 8st 3lb; E.J., 7st 13lb; Abbey, 7st 7lb; Caram, 7st 3lb; Poseidonius, 7st 3lb; Dabriedo, 7st 3lb; Sevenoaks, 7st 1lb; First Hope, 6st 11lb; Millpool, 6st 9lb; Opinion, 6st 7lb. Betting: 4 to 1 each v Brian Boru and Poseidonius, 5 to 1 v Hecuba, 7 to 1 each v Florist and Powerscourt, 9 to 1 each v Abbey and First Hope, 10 to 1 each v Caram and Chesternaid. Won by two lengths, a head between second and third. Brian Boru was fourth, and Millpool last. Time, 1m 4½s.

Jumpers' Flat Race, 1½m.—Mr. Moore's Dromedary, by Gozo—Weegoo, 11st 7lb (F. Burn), 1; Mr. Gibell's Glenallen, 10st 9lb (J. Thomas), 2; Mr. Clement's Tod, 10st 9lb (C. Pratt), 3. Other starters: Devonier, 10st; Holdsberg, 10st 13lb; Sirenis, 8st 11lb; Glencoe, 8st. Betting: 7 to 4 v Dromedary, 5 to 1 v Tod, 4 to 1 v Devonier, 6 to 1 v Sirenis. Won by a length, two lengths between second and third. Sirenis was fourth and Holdsberg last. Time, 2m 22s.

Sandown Handicap, 1m.—Mr. Buffrey's Sea Swell, by Portsea—Tlanetule, 7st 5lb, inc. 3lb over (W. Foulsham), 1; Mr. Lee's Duke of Preston, 8st 5lb (R. Campbell), 2; Mr. Hawkins's Gravity, 7st 10lb (D. M'Cowan), 3. Other starter: Deucalion, 8st 3lb. Betting: 10 to 9 v Gravity, 3 to 1 v Sea Swell, 4 to 1 v Duke of Preston, 10 to 1 v Deucalion. Won by ten lengths, three between second and third. Time, 1m 46s.

Steeplechase, about 2m.—Mr. Clement's Earl of Castles, by Penance—Eglantine, 10st 13lb (H. A. Deebie), 1; Mr. Kurrie's Warfield, 10st 7lb (J. L. Cox), 2; Mr. Rosenthal's Blue Gown, 9st 2lb (A. Williamson), 3. Other starters: Kingbolt, 10st; Killarney, 9st 4lb; Mick, 9st 2lb. Betting: 5 to 4 v Earl of Castles, 4 to 1 v Blue Gown, 6 to 1 v Warfield, 10 to 1 v others. Won by six lengths, a bad third. Mick was fourth and Kingbolt last. Time, 4m 6½s.

Sandown Plate, 6f.—Mr. Kennedy's Brian Boru, by Haut Brion—Nizerch, 8st 5lb (C. Pratt), 1; Messrs. Lock and Quinlan's Haphazard, 8st 1lb (G. Ross), 2; Mr. Oliver's Withan, 7st 12lb (E. King), 3. Other starters: Riversdale, 8st 11lb; Munus, 8st 8lb; Monitress, 7st 12lb; F.A., 7st 12lb; Currandooley, 7st 1lb, Lady Hopetoun, 6st 12lb; Capshot, 6st 8lb. Betting: 7 to 2 v Haphazard, 4 to 1 each v Brian Boru, Munus, and F.A., 5 to 1 v Lady Hopetoun. Won by a neck, a bad third. F.A. was fourth and Munus last. Time, 1m 18s.

Sandown Purse, 6f.—Mr. Everest's Zeal, by Invermay—Perfection, 6st 12lb, inc. 3lb over (D. M'Cowan), 1; Mr. Townson's First Hope, 7st 6lb (E. Turner), 2; Mr. Swan's St. Henry, 8st 6lb (C. Pratt), 3. Other starters: Slatin, 9st; Wayside, 8st 11lb; Langwarrin, 8st 9lb; Miss Rae, 8st 6lb; White Eyes 8st 6lb; The Golden West, 8st 3lb; Thoughtful, 7st 12lb; Charger, 7st 12lb; Torere, 7st 6lb; Ibiston, 7st 3lb; Rose Mashana, 7st 3lb; Maurice, 7st. Betting: 3 to 1 v Wayside, 4 to 1 each v First Hope and St. Henry, 7 to 1 each v Charger and Miss Ray, 10 to 1 each v White Eyes, Thoughtful, and Zeal. Won by a length, a head between second and third. Langwarrin was fourth and Thoughtful last. Time, 1m 18⅘s.

KENSINGTON RACES.

There was a splendid attendance at the Kensington races yesterday, which were held in beautiful weather. The track was in first-class order, and the racing generally of a high order. Results:—

Fourteen-one Handicap of 25 sovs, second 3 sovs, 4½f.—T. Smith's The Shanty Belle, by Cobbitty, 7st 2lb (E. Williams), 1; Lady Nannie, 9st 2lb (M. Connell), 2; Flying Colours, 7st 2lb (W. Kenny), 3. Other starters: Realm, 8st 1lb; Maxim, 7st 10lb; Egypt, 7st 10lb; Latona, 7st 2lb; Little Betty, 7st 2lb; Annie, 7st 2lb; My Fancy, 7st. Betting: 2 to 1 v Annie, 3 to 1 v Flying Colours, 4 to 1 v My Colours, 6 to 1 each v Lady Nannie and The Shanty Belle, 10 to 1 v others. Won by half a length. No time taken.

Fifteen Hands Handicap of 40 sovs, second 3 and third 2 sovs, 5f.—W. M. Rose's Klarum, by Clairon, 7st 8lb (V. Fletcher), 1; Bato, 7st 12lb (E. Williams), 2; N. Hough's Nestor, 8st 1lb (J. Logue), 3. Other starters: Noreen, 8st 5lb; Sandy, 8st 4lb; Miss Kingsley, 8st; Telowar, 7st 10lb; Reliance, 7st 10lb; Le Var, 7st. Betting: Even money on Nestor, 5 to 1 v Klarum, 6 to 1 each v Bato and Noreen, 10 to 1 v others. Won by half a length. Time, 1m 4⅖s.

Novice Handicap of 20 sovs, second 4 sovs, and third 1 sov, 5f.—First division: E. Foster's Vanora, by Glenore—Lizzie, 9st 7lb (W. Whitlock), 1; Simmerline, 8st 4lb (M. Connell), 2; Murat, 7st 7lb (W. Kenny), 3. Other starters: Karol, 9st; Norma, 7st 12lb; Juvenile, 7st 12lb; Mahomet, 7st 11lb; Silver Heels, 7st 11lb; Busybody, 7st 9lb; Bobby, 7st 7lb; Murmur, 7st 7lb; Chambeau, 7st 7lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v Karol, 4 to 1 v Simmerline, 5 to 1 v Silver Heels, 6 to 1 v Vanora, 10 to 1 v others. Won by three parts of a length. Time, 1m 4⅖s. Second division: P. M'Garrity's Mack, by Gossoon (imp.)—Pierna mare, 8st 2lb (J. Bindon), 1; Gold Lead, 8st 8lb (M. Connell), 2; Sleepy, 8st (Smith), 3. Other starters: Phraso, 8st; The Fog, 8st; Sunday, 8st; Tarawera, 8st; Juvenile, 7st 12lb; Agnes, 7st 11lb; Florrie Tristram, 7st 9lb; King Edward, 7st 7lb; Will Roy, 7st 7lb; Rooney, 7st 7lb. Betting: 7 to 2 each v Gold Lead and Mack, 4 to 1 v Florrie Tristram, 5 to 1 v Tarawera, 6 to 1 each v The Fog and Agnes, 10 to 1 each v others. Won by six lengths. Time, 1m 5⅕s. The owners of Vanora and Mack divided.

Fourteen-three Handicap of 30 sovs, second 3 and third 2 sovs, 4½f.—C. Stephenson's Kilmeny, by Dalmeny (imp.)—Gazelle, 7st 5lb (V. Fletcher), 1; Thrush, 8st 12lb (E. Williams), 2; Morok, 10st 2lb (A. Broughton), 3. Other starters: Coronation, 8st 11lb; Hummer, 8st 10lb; Folly, 8st; Silvermine, 7st; Lass o' Gowrie, 7st. Betting: 6 to 4 v Kilmeny, 4 to 1 each v Coronation and Thrush, 6 to 1 v Hummer, 7 to 1 v Morok, 10 to 1 v others. Won by six lengths. Time 58⅘s.

Fourteen Hands Welter of 25 sovs, second 3 and third 2 sovs, 4½f.—Mrs. M'Dermott's Selina, by Little Bernie—Brown Esperance, 7st 7lb (T. Walsh), 1; The Snail, 8st (M. Connell), 2; Bow Bell, 8st (H. Russell), 3. Other starters: Astoria, 8st 9lb; Malahide, 8st 5lb; Sweet Rose, 8st 5lb; Linda, 8st; Sweet Briar, 8st; Ruin, 8st; Picotee, 7st 12lb; Welsh Lassie, 7st 11lb; Merrie Minnie, 7st 9lb; Daisy II., 7st 9lb. Betting: 5 to 4 v The Snail, 2 to 1 v Sweet Rose, 6 to 1 v Selina, 10 to 1 v others. Won by a neck. Time, 57⅗s.

Fourteen-two Handicap of 30 sovs, second 3 and third 2 sovs, 5f.—J. Davidson's Kilderkin, by Cyrenian (imp.)—Kilmorley, 6st 11lb (M. Connell), *1; Zanita, 7st 11lb (J. Bindon), *2; Miss Mayfield, 7st (M. Griffin), 3. Other starters: Clarette, 9st 6lb; Allowrie, 8st 4lb; Ladybird, 8st 2lb; Report, 8st 2lb; Miss Havoc, 7st 10lb; Leslie, 7st 10lb; Jolly Roy, 7st 8lb; Agnes, 7st 8lb; Miss Orzil, 7st. Betting: 5 to 4 on Kilderkin, 6 to 1 v Miss Orzil, 8 to 1 each v Leslie and Clarette, 10 to 1 v others. *Dead heat. Time, 1m 5⅕s. Kilderkin won the run-off.

Kensington Handicap of 70 sovs, second 7 sovs and third 3 sovs, 5f.—N. Hough's Nestor, by Blarney—Infelice, 8st 1lb (A. Wagner), *1; Generia, 8st 4lb (T. Merritt), *2; Sprightly, 7st (E. Williams), 3. Other starters: Domino, 9st 5lb; King Olaf, 8st 4lb; Pegar, 8st 4lb; Grant, 8st; Bato, 7st 12lb; Skylark, 7st 12lb; Telowar, 7st 10lb; Blarney, 7st 10lb; Klarum, 7st 8lb; Bliss, 7st 7lb; Regret, 7st 5lb; Jessie Agnes, 7st; Princess May, 7st. Betting: 4 to 1 each v King Olaf, Bliss, and Nestor, 6 to 1 each v Generia and Klarum, 10 to 1 v others. *A dead heat for first place. Time, 1m 11s. The run-off was won by Nestor.

MACQUARIE PICNIC RACES.

DUBBO, Wednesday.

The annual meeting of the Macquarie Picnic Race Club started to-day, the weather being fine but warm. The attendance was good, and the racing on the whole excellent. The course was rather heavy, and the times were not as good as usual. Results:—

Narromine Stakes, 6f.—Doctor Slate's Shenandoah, 1; Mr. A. M. Whitney's Perle d'Or, 2; Mr. G. C. Mack's The Gazecka, 3. Time, 1m 21s.

Ellengerah Plate, 6f.—Mr J. N. Smith's Camera, 1; Messrs. Taylor's Woodnote, 2; Dr. Slate's Loch Lomond, 3. Time, 1m 18½s.

Salt Bush Plate, for gymkhana, 4f.—Mr. F. B. L. Body's Good Boy, 1; Mr. B. J. Lees' Powerful, 2; Mr. W. Douglas's Warlock, 3. Time, 1m 19½s.

Macquarie Picnic Cup, 1¼m.—Mr. L. N. Smith's Pierrot, 1; Messrs. Taylor's Woodnote, 2; Mr. A. M. Whitney's Superbus, 3. Time, 2m 19½s.

Meramie Plate, 1m.—Mr. F. J. Body's Good Boy, 1; Mr. T. Rogers' Roumaney, 2; Mr. B. J. Lees' Tristeria, 3. Time, 1m 52s.

Bundemar Plate, 7f.—Mr. J. N. Smith's Camera, 1; Mr. Norman H. Smith's Gig, 2; Mr. W. A. Gardiner's Resistless, 3. Time, 1m 33⅘s.

POLO.

COOMA, Wednesday.

A polo match took place at Coolringdon on Saturday, when the team chosen to play against Bombala (Messrs. H. Hepburn, R. Willmott, G. Garnock, and J. J. Howell) played the rest of the Cooma Club (Messrs. H. S. Ryrie, H. E. Crisp, N. Allen, O. D. Ryrie), the game resulting in a draw with 4 goals each.

COURSING.

MEETING AT BATHURST.

BATHURST, Wednesday.

A coursing meeting was held to-day at the new plumpton grounds. Mr. P. R. Stapleton acted as judge, and Mr. J. Ingersole filled the position of slipper. Results:—

MAIDEN PUPPY STAKES, eight puppies, £1.

Dressmaker beat Athol Red, Foundation beat Recruit, Llewellyn's Chief beat Lily of the Valley, Young Gameboy beat Gold Lock.

First Ties.—Dressmaker beat Foundation, Young Gameboy beat Llewellyn's Chief.

Final.—F. Dwyer's f b Dressmaker (Llewellyn—Jackson Gift) beat J. Bastick's f d Young Gameboy (Llewellyn—Buxom) divided.

MAY STAKES.

Dayfield beat The Queen, Darby beat Blue Bell, Yarraman beat Archer, Flirt a bye.

First Tie.—Dayfield, a bye; Darby, drawn; Yarraman beat Flirt.

Final.—R. Yeates' br d Yarraman (Southern Cross—Corinthia), and T. M'Allister's r d Dayfield (Young Dayfield—Marie Narelle), divided.

OPEN STAKES.

Fonder Still beat Tarana Rose, Rose of Denmark beat Trilby, Last Choice a bye.

First Ties.—Last Choice beat Fonder Still, Rose of Denmark a bye.

Final.—J. Carpenter's bl and w d Last Choice and H. Whalan's b b Rose of Denmark (Booty—Gipsy Queen), divided.

SINGLETON, Wednesday.

The Singleton Coursing Club held its first meeting of the season on Saturday, the Glenridding estate being the coursing ground. There was a large attendance of the public and enthusiasts of the sport. The stakes were won as follows:—

All-aged Stakes, for 12 dogs and bitches.—D. G. Grant's b and w d Independent—Jack (General Booth—Fris).

Novice Stakes, for 15 dogs and bitches.—A. C. Jewell's bd d Anatroff (Klondyke—Madame de Wet).

Puppy Stakes, for 7 dogs and bitches.—A. Marshall's r d Defiance (Licorice—Fawn Fly).

GOLF.

AUSTRALIAN G.C.

The following are the draw and the handicaps for the men's foursomes bogey handicap on Saturday next. Pairs and opponents should arrange times of starting:—G. S. Buzacott and H. J. Braddon (4) v W. Holdship and S. Laidley (2); C. H. Pearson and L. Owen (5) v C. T. Metcalfe and W. Metcalfe (6); A. E. Roberts and F. L. Bolin (9) v N. F. Giblin and Dr. F. Reading (3); E. J. B. Macarthur and A. Knox (3) v A. E. D'Arcy and G. Dixon (1); A. W. Padfield and G. A. Balcombe (3) v W. Brooks and W. E. V. Read (11); J. Vicars and F. W. Learoyd (12) v H. S. Holt and P. W. Pope (5); W. L. Docker and D. Miller (12) v W. A. Balcombe and A. L. Piper (11); P. Allan and C. G. Hodgson (8) v F. J. Ewens and H. G. Holle (6); Dr. McMurray and K. I. Newman (2) v Dr. Barrington and Dr. H. Marshall (10); J. B. Milne and A. L. Potter (6) v A. J. McLachlan and Dr. Thring (6); Dr. Terrey and Dr. S. Jones (2) v Dr. Kirkland and W. Tilley (6); C. H. Caswell and E. R. Magnus (7) v Dr. S. Dixson and A. J. Franks (11); G. H. Partridge and T. R. Armitage (9) v A. R. Minter and A. M. Shannon (8); R. S. McCoy and G. Flannery (12) v F. Aronson and F. A. Thorpe (9); S. Douglas and A. J. Watt (11) v A. B. Turner and R. E. Finlay (16); C. Minter and F. Hill (15), v R. Wisdom and M. Aronson (15).

DUBBO, Wednesday.

The following is the result of the mixed foursomes played on the Dubbo links on Saturday last. Mr. M'Donald and Miss U. Tibbits, 73—6=67; Mrs. M'Dougall and Mrs. M'Donald, 68, scr.=68 Mr. Wood and Miss Armstrong, 82—13=69; Rev. E. H. Lea and Mrs. Barlow, 86—13=72; Mr. Synge and Miss Mackenzie, 77—3=74; Mr. Soane and Miss Wicat, 83—9=74; Mr. Jones and Miss Kelly, 88—11=77; Dr. Adams and Mrs. Cadell, 82—2=80; Mr. Barlow and Mrs. Burkitt, 98—15=83; Mr. Mullen and Mrs. Soane, 103—10=93.

FOOTBALL.

Three matches were played yesterday between the Sydney Grammar School and Church of England Grammar School. The first fifteens played a draw 3 points each. Sydney Grammar School second fifteen won by 15 to nil, and the same school's third team won by five to nil.

Newington College and King's School yesterday played a scoreless draw.

Mr. W. W. Hill, secretary of the New South Wales Rugby Union, has received a wire from Western Australia, in which the terms proposed for a team to visit that part of Australia were accepted. The conditions are:—New South Wales to pay all expenses, such expenses to be the first charge on the gates, and the surplus, if any, to go towards promoting Rugby in Western Australia. If any deficit the New South Wales union will pay it. A second New South Wales or a country team will be sent. Matches will be played on July 24, 27, 31, and August 3, the team returning to Sydney about August 14.

BOWLS.

NEW SOUTH WALES BOWLING ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the general committee of the New South Wales Bowling Association was held last evening at the office of the hon. secretary, Queen Victoria Markets. There was a large attendance. The chair was occupied by the president, Mr. M'Leod. A letter was read from the Northern Bowling Association, asking that the annual interassociation match (home and home) be played on a date to be arranged. The letter was received, and it was decided to fall in with the request. The details of the same were left in the hands of the president and secretary. A letter was read from Mr. Henry Selfe, offering a new kind of a green roller as a prize for competition. The offer was accepted, and arrangements made for playing the contest. The secretary reported that the John Young memorial committee had agreed that, in order to perpetuate the memory of the late president, a shield for competition as the opening match of the season should be obtained. The shield is to be competed for by clubs connected with the association; also that subscriptions should be obtained and an enlarged photograph of the late Mr. Young secured, to be forwarded to each club, to adorn the various club-houses. The report was adopted.

Mr. Donaldson (for Mr. Batson) moved,—"That this committee recommend the affiliated clubs to dispense with green fees in club matches. The resolution led to a discussion. It was generally admitted that the system of ground fees should be abolished, but it was thought that the question was one for clubs to decide. It was further pointed out that such a system was alone in existence in New South Wales.

Mr. C. J. Smith moved, as an amendment,—"That in the opinion of the committee the collection of fees from visiting bowlers should be abolished in club matches."

Mr. Donaldson withdrew his motion in favour of the amendment. The motion as amended was put to the meeting, but was lost by a narrow majority.

A shield, presented by Mr. Maxwell, was received, to be competed for by the clubs connected with the association. It was decided that the shield be called the Maxwell shield, to be played for as the closing match of the season, viz., early in the spring, and that the pennant committee fix up conditions and report to the next meeting of the general committee.

CYCLING AND MOTORING.

LEAGUE OF WHEELMEN.

Mr. H. D. M'Intosh, secretary of the League of Wheelmen, intends resigning office at an early date, owing to pressure of business. Mr. M'Intosh has held the post of secretary for close on four years, and during that time is regarded as having done much to popularise and cleanse the sport of cycling. It is stated that he will be succeeded by Mr. George Cramp, a member of the council.

The Rookwood Club will hold three races for members on June 1. The racing will take place in the local park, and all entries will be received by Mr. E. N. Wyatt, the club secretary.

STRELEIN CUP.

The second heat of the five-miles road race in connection with the Strelein Cup will be decided on Saturday over the Burwood-Bankstown course by the Pioneer Motor Cycle Club. The race will start at 3.30 p.m. from the Royal Hotel. The first heat of this race, which was decided on the Sports Ground track some months ago, was won by F. Daniels. After Saturday's competition there will only be two more heats run in order to decide the destination of the cup.

BRISBANE-ADELAIDE MOTOR CONTEST.

It is announced that the Dunlop Rubber Company, who intended holding a big reliability motor car contest from Brisbane to Adelaide in November, has abandoned the project, owing to lack of support. When the event was first mooted, it was considered that the minimum sum necessary for carrying out such an event would be about £700. Of this sum the Dunlop Company offered £120, and had hopes that the interstate motor trade would provide the balance. It now appears that only £400 was promised, and as this sum is insufficient for the proper carrying out of the competition, the race will not take place.

NEW MOTOR CYCLE.

Mr. Norman Saunders, the crack motor cycle rider of Parramatta, lately landed a special racing motor cycle, built to his own design for racing. It is fitted with a J.A.P. engine, very low frame, and long ball head. This type of head gives splendid steering. A remarkable point about the J.A.P. engine is that the cylinders have an exceptionally long stroke in proportion to the bore, 70 mm. bore by 95 mm. stroke. It is fitted with automatic engine valve, and this machine should be the fastest motor cycle in the State. On his old motor Mr. Norman Saunders has put up some very fine rides and daring finishes, but on this machine he should do even better.

TO THE NORTH POLE BY AIRSHIP.

For some time past the chief aim of Arctic explorers has been to reach the North Pole by airship. Since Andre's balloon attempt no one has had sufficient courage to risk a similar undertaking. With the present perfection and controllability of the modern airship, however, a task which a few years back was practically impossible seems now to be quite feasible. The latest files from home state that an attempt will be made to reach the North Pole this year per airship by Mr. Wellman, who has had constructed a balloon of immense size. The proportions of Mr. Wellman's big airship are so enormous as to put in the shade anything of a similar nature hitherto designed. It is stated that the airship will be capable of carrying 3½ tons of petrol, a crew of five or six men, several hundredweight of dogs and sledging outfits, and about 1½ ton of food, sufficient to last the expedition for the whole winter. The total length of the gas vessel is about 165ft, and its greatest diameter 52ft. The balloon will have a capacity of 265,000 cubic feet, and its lifting power will be about 8½ tons. The hull alone is 115ft in length, and its principal member consists of a hollow tube, which, filled with petrol, will form a sort of backbone for the airship. The main motor employed, which will enable a speed of 16 to 18 miles an hour to be maintained, will be a 60-70-h.p. Clement. This engine will drive an 11ft 6in propeller. If everything goes well the airship, as it carries enough petrol for a run of 150 hours at full speed, should be able to cover easily a distance of 2250 miles. As the loss of hydrogen will not likely exceed 1 per cent. per diem, Mr. Wellman should be enabled to carry out a voyage of upwards of 30 days.

A new tyre, called the "Perfect," has been placed on the Sydney market by David Moseley and Sons, of Kent-street, and, as it presents many novel features, it should appeal specially to automobile enthusiasts. During a demonstration which was given yesterday the cover and tube of a "Perfect" tyre were detached from the line, replaced, and pumped up again in eight minutes.

BILLIARDS.

NEW SOUTH WALES AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP.

BELFIELD v RUMBALL.

FINE RECOVERY BY THE HOLDER.

The final contest of 2000 up for the amateur championship of New South Wales, between Mr. H. Rumball, the holder, and Mr. J. H. Belfield, the challenger, was begun at Messrs. Heiron and Smith's rooms, 214 Castlereagh-street, last night. The championship is controlled and managed by the New South Wales Sports Club, Limited, and the winner will be called upon to meet the Victorian champion. There was a good attendance, and much interest was taken in the game, the cheers over any remarkable stroke or long break being long and enthusiastic. When play adjourned Mr. Belfield had a lead of 151, the scores being 666—515.

Both players were slow in beginning. They were learning the strength of the table, and were together at various stages up to 136. Just prior to this Belfield came with 34, which closed with the balls kissing into baulk. The champion showed out in difficult strokes, but the balls would not run for him. Belfield now obtained excellent touch and widened the gulf between him and his opponent very quickly. A 32 caused the game to be called 189-134, and then came two sterling efforts from the leader, a 56, falling over a miss-cue, and a 47 at his next visit, leaving the scores 287-150. Rumball had execrable luck in "leaves" and in the run of the balls, and he was quite out of touch—he could do nothing right. As is usually the case, the other man, who was playing his customary free game, generally profited by a 20 or a 30, if not more. Despite the fact that for most of the time one man was doing all the scoring, the play was interesting, and applause frequent. After a while Rumball showed out to less disadvantage than previously. A beautiful drawback hazard and an awkward jenny into the middle pocket opened the way to his best contribution so far, 37, and then came 32 from his opponent, the game being 417-217. Continuing in form, which was almost comparable with his best, he increased his lead, and when 500 Rumball was but 261. The latter was, however, improving. A 25 and a 37 opened the way to what was easily the finest display of the evening. With the white in baulk he operated on the red ball, and showing most exact strength for the middle pocket, he amassed 78, 26 hazards in the centre pockets, and got 84 before he was confronted with a double baulk. Playing up and down the table he scored amidst great cheering, and continuing did not finish until he had obtained 91. It was a masterly effort and a grand recovery. Belfield responded with 40, and Rumball added 35. The former then ran to his points, the scores being called: Belfield (in play) 666, Rumball 515. The match, which is being played on a specially erected standard table, will be resumed this evening, and conclude to-morrow night. Mr. E. J. Boyle is the honorary referee.

HORNSBY SCHOOL OF ARTS TOURNAMENT.

The results of the second round of the billiard tournament held in conjunction with the above institution are:—T. M'Donald, 80 behind, defeated J. Paxton, 65 on, by 11; C. Rogers, 15 on, defeated E. Savage, 80 behind, by 23; A. Rodick, 50 on, defeated E. Higgins, 50 on, by 27; E. Fitzgerald, 40 on, defeated F. Savage, 70 behind, by 30; E. Townsend, 30 on, defeated F. Garrard, 50 on, by 26; T. M'Clay, 90 on, defeated F. H. J. Robinson, 50 on, by 16.

AMUSEMENTS.

PALACE THEATRE.—"QUALITY STREET."

Yesterday afternoon and evening the Brough-Flemming Comedy Company revived "Quality Street" at the Palace Theatre, and in this way playgoers have a brief opportunity—the final performance being fixed for to-morrow night—of renewing their acquaintance with the gentle sentiment, innocently humorous entanglements, and quaint old-world atmosphere of J. M. Barrie's dainty piece. "Quality Street" seems like an echo from the pages of Jane Austen, the period, just after the battle of Waterloo, being that of "Pride and Prejudice," which is dated by the great authoress as 1813. Accordingly, delighted visitors to the Palace listen with amused astonishment to the description of the two charming school-mistresses of the story as "vastly estimable females." Those ladies themselves expect their admirers to address them formally as "ma'am," whilst they blush or faint with a readiness which passed for "nature" in those unsuspecting days, when the innocent artfulness of the sex in such matters had not been "given away" by the emancipated women, and "rebellious Susans" of present-day life. Nowadays no ladies faint, few blush! Part of the merit of "Quality Street" arises from the adroit manner in which all the characteristics of the period have been reproduced, in this respect nothing could be more felicitously accurate than the staging, especially observable in the Blue and White Room, with its porcelain-blue figured damask, its black silhouette portraits, its old harpsichord, and its other harmonious details. More important still the mental outlook of the men and women of that day, the former so adventurous and careless of life, the latter so rigidly confined to the placid monotony of the narrowest domesticity, is reflected in the dialogue and story. Briefly put, "Quality Street" deals with the attachment existing between Susan and Phoebe Throssel, somewhat forlorn young school-marms, who discuss their prospects of marriage with tears in their eyes, and are prepared to accept their destiny, whatever its manly form, in a spirit of devout humility. We perceive that the maidenly attitude of a century ago was not without its dangers. Careless Valentine Brown having kissed little Phoebe during a shower "because her cheek was wet," afterwards leaves for the war against Napoleon without making the "proposal" that youthful simpleton had counted upon. During his ten years' absence, the grieving sisters keep school, and wrestle in amusing fashion with other "bad boys," but less mischievous owing to their insignificant smallness. When Valentine at last returns, an armless captain and a hero, Phoebe plays him a spirited little trick by which she passes herself off as her own (non-existent) niece, "Livy," and thus proves herself still youthful, and capable of such a flirtation as a sober teacher of youth would hardly have dared attempt. This part of the comedy is highly diverting, and went in lively fashion with last night's audience. There have been changes in the cast, but the rendering still "makes good." Miss Beatrice Day repeats again her artistic impersonation, so patient, gentle, and pathetic, of the elder sister Susan. Miss Gordon Lee replaces Miss Winifred Fraser as Phoebe. Her very youthful appearance and her natural gaiety were assisted by many dainty touches of insight into the character of this lively girl, whose reflection after her escapade "that a great cause of unhappiness is that gentlemen will not understand how funny ladies can be," was delivered with an air of unconscious drollery that caused a hearty burst of laughter. Mr. Norman McKeown repeated his sound and acceptable impersonation of a year ago as Valentine Brown, and many minor characters were well played. On Saturday Mr. Herbert Flemming will produce "Olivia," for which already many seats have been reserved.

THE GRAND OPERA SEASON.

Mr. George Musgrove will inaugurate the grand opera season at the Theatre Royal, on May 25, with Wagner's "Lohengrin," which will be repeated on Monday and Wednesday of the first week, the other operas being "Carmen" and "Hansel and Gretel." The lastnamed work will be performed only at matinees, at the usual theatrical prices. The operatic tariff for all evening performances will be 7s 6d dress circle and reserved stalls, 5s unreserved stalls, and the amphitheatre at varying prices as advertised. The box plan will open to subscribers only, at Nicholson's on Saturday, and to the public on Monday.

THE BESSES O' TH' BARN BAND.

There was an excellent attendance at the Besses o' th' Barn Band yesterday afternoon, when the boys of the Sobraon were present by invitation, and in the evening the players were greeted by a splendid house. The "sound-break" has been lowered and enlarged, and the acoustic properties of the Town Hall have been thereby vastly improved. Messrs. J. and N. Tait announce a first-rate programme for to-night, including Wagnerian selections, and "Lead Me Your Aid" will be repeated by request.

A correspondent, "A.A.C.," writes at some length in praise of the Besses, and to urge them to improve their programmes by leaving out Sousa marches, valse numbers, popular songs of the day, and other "mediocre rubbish." He demands a classical night or two, with prominence to Wagner, "in place of the kind of stuff that every little brass band in the State can tootle."

Mrs. Nellie Truman admires the masterly accompaniments of the Besses, and in order that local bandsmen may be able to study the method of the visitors therein, urges the management to give a few concerts at reduced prices.

RAILWAY INSTITUTE.—"MARITANA."

At the Railway Institute to-night the Railway and Tramway Musical Society will give the first of three performances of "Maritana." Miss Emily Marks will take the name part, and she will be supported by Miss N. Rosenwax, and Messrs. S. C. Jeffcott, J. E. Edwards, and E. B. Kent.

GERMAN CHURCH CONCERT.

A successful concert in aid of the funds of the German Church in Sydney was held in the Concordia Hall, Elizabeth-street, on Tuesday night. Between 300 and 400 were present, including the captain and several officers of the German gunboat Condor, as well as many well-known German citizens. Amongst those who contributed to the programme were Mr. Shipway, Mrs. Nixon, Miss Tuck, and the German Liedertafel.

SYDNEY SKATING RINK.

A plain and fancy dress carnival was held in the Sydney Skating Rink last evening. The floor, with its hundreds of skaters gracefully gliding around to the strains of music from a first-class band, presented an attractive spectacle. At 9 o'clock the grand march took place, the skaters being marshalled into position by the officials. The evolutions which followed produced a striking effect, and won the applause of the audience. Several races were held, and were productive of keenly-contested finishes. The mile race was won by J. Burleigh, and the novice handicap fell to Barker.

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O. MORRICE WILLIAMS, Inspector and General Manager.
Melbourne, 15th May, 1907.

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By order of the Board.
R. WALTER HARDIE, Manager.

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IN BANKRUPTCY.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
ACCOUNTS with PLANS OF DISTRIBUTION in the undermentioned Estates, showing Dividends as specified, are now filed in the Office of the Registrar in Bankruptcy, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, for the inspection of persons interested; and Notice is hereby given that such Accounts and Plans will be submitted to the Court for confirmation or otherwise on MONDAY, 3rd June, 1907, at 11 a.m., if not previously objected to:—
CHARLES CADET, of Sutherland, Painter (No. 17,210), a first account and first plan of distribution showing payment of a dividend of 3s 5 11-16d (three shillings and fivepence eleven-sixteenths of a penny) in the £ on all proved concurrent debts.
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ELIJAH HOWARD, late of Yass, in the State of New South Wales, Boot Manufacturer, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the First Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my Office, Chancery-square, Sydney; and all persons having any claim on the said Estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my said Office on or before the twentieth day of June next at 12 o'clock noon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto, otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said Accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the Executors. Dated this 15th day of May, 1907. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. DAVID WHYTT, Proctor for the Executors, Yass. By his Agent, HERBERT LANGLEY TRESS, 107 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of REES JONES, late of Woodlands, near Berridale, in the State of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the third accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me, at my said office, on or before the 13th day of June next, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the Executors of the Will of the abovenamed deceased. Dated this 15th day of May, in the year 1907. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. BLAXLAND, MAWSON, and ROSE, Proctors for the Executors, Cooma. By ICETON and FAITHFULL, their Agents, 88 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicil of WILLIAM MITCHELL HERIOT, late of Old Carabobula, near Germanton, in the State of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the tenth accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me, at my said office, on or before the 21st day of June next, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this 15th day of May, 1907. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. JOHN WILKINSON, Proctor, Albury. By his Agents, LAURENCE, SON, and MACDONALD, Bank-chambers, 122 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JAMES LETSON, late of 36 Nicholson-street, Woolloomooloo, Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Grocer, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the second accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Queen's-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me, at my said office, on or before the 20th day of June, at 11.45 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this fifteenth day of May, in the year 1907. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. W. CARTER SMITH, Proctor for Executors, 52 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicil of SUSAN ANN BERRY SECCOMBE, late of Milton, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the first and final accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Queen's-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the twentieth day of June next, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit, object thereto; otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this 15th day of May, A.D. 1907. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. CHARLES D. INGLIS, Proctor for Executor, 60 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—No. 36,843.—In the Will of THOMAS KING LEDDER, late of Penshurst, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Conveyancer, deceased.—Notice is hereby given that the First Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Queen's-square, King-street, Sydney; and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the twenty-fourth day of June, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this 15th day of May, in the year 1907. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. PERCY C. LAW, Proctor for Executors, 1A Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of DAVID MACARTHUR, late of Clarence Siding, in the State of New South Wales, Freeholder, deceased.—Pursuant to the Wills Probate and Administration Act of 1898, NOTICE is hereby given that all creditors and other persons having any claims against the Estate of the abovenamed deceased, who died at Clarence Siding, on 18th July, 1906, are hereby required to send in full particulars of such claims to the undersigned, the Proctors for ARTHUR GEORGE CORDEROY and EDWIN THOMPSON, the Executors of the Will of the said deceased, to whom Probate was granted by the Supreme Court of New South Wales, on 3rd April, 1907, on or before the twenty-ninth day of June next, in default whereof the said Executors will, after the last mentioned date, proceed to administer the Estate and distribute the assets among the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and the said Executors will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose claim they shall not have notice at the time of such distribution. Dated this eleventh day of May 1907. THOMPSON and LE FEVRE, Proctors for the Executors, Main-street, Lithgow.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicil of JOSIAH PARISH, late of Frederickton, Macleay River, in the State of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament and one Codicil thereto of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WALTER EDWARD HARWOOD and JAMES HENRY AINSWORTH, the Executors in the said Will named. And all persons having claims against the Estate are required to furnish particulars thereof to the undersigned within the time above stated. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. JOHN GILFILLAN, Proctor for Executors, Kempsey. By his Agent, A. W. E. WEAVER, Martin-place, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of SAMUEL EDGAR VANN, late of Hill House, Sible Hedingham, in the County of Essex, England, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that an exemplification of the Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased, granted by the High Court of Justice in England to BRENDA LEONORA VANN, the sole Executrix named in the said Will, may be sealed with the seal of this Court; and all notices may be served at and all claims are to be sent to the offices of J. A. DOWLING and TAYLER, Proctors, 118 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ROSE ANNA HYDE, late of Eskbank, Lithgow, in the State of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased.—Application will be made after the expiration of 14 days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed may be granted to HERBERT HYDE, the Sole Executor named in the Will; and all notices and claims against the abovenamed deceased may be sent to the office of the undersigned. E. P. RICHARDS, Proctor for the Executor, Main-street, Lithgow. By his Agents, MACKENZIE and MACKENZIE, 164 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM WENTWORTH LUCAS, late of Dolls Point, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Agent, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to HARRIETTE LUCAS, the sole Executrix in the said Will named; and all notices and claims against the said estate must be sent to the office of the undersigned. EDGAR LUCAS, Proctor for the Executrix, 20 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of WILLIAM EAGLES, late of Tallewang, in the State of New South Wales, Gardener, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to SAMUEL TREVENEN BISHOP, the Executor named in the said Will; and all notices are to be served at the undermentioned address. SAMUEL T. BISHOP, Gulgong.

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of THOMAS CLAXTON, late of The Galore, near Lockhart, in the State of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN McDONNELL, of Galore Park, near Lockhart, aforesaid, Farmer, one of the Executors named in the said Will, PATRICK JOSEPH COFFEY (in the said Will named Thomas Coffey), of Wagga Wagga, in the State aforesaid, Publican, the other Executor named in the said Will, having duly renounced Probate thereof. All persons having claims against the Estate of the said deceased are requested to forward particulars of the same within the said period of fourteen days to the undersigned, at whose offices all notices may be served. S. ELLIOTT NAPIER, Proctor for Applicant, Lockhart. By his Agent, W. A. FREEMAN, 117 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ROSANNA HALLIDAY, late of East Kempsey, Macleay River, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ELIZABETH ANN LANCASTER and ANNABELLA SECOMB, the Executrices in the said Will named. And all persons having claims against the Estate are required to furnish particulars thereof to the undersigned within the time above stated. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. JOHN GILFILLAN, Proctor for Executrices, Kempsey. By his Agent, A. W. E. WEAVER, Martin-place, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. TAKE NOTICE that I, JOHN CHARLES WEBSTER, now of Sunnybank, Lower Bay View-road, North Sydney, and for the last two years and upwards residing at Charles-street, West Maitland, and Sunnybank, Lower Bay View-road, North Sydney, and lately serving under Articles of Clerkship to Walter Valentia Windeyer Thompson, of West Maitland, Solicitor, and during part of last year of the term of Articles with Goddard William Ash, of No. 99A Pitt-street, Sydney, Solicitor, the Sydney Agent of the said Walter Valentia Windeyer Thompson, and subsequently by assignment of the said Articles of Clerkship with William Archibald Windeyer, of No. 78 Pitt-street, Sydney, Solicitor, do intend, on the last day of the present Term, to apply to be admitted as a Solicitor, Attorney, and Proctor of this Honorable Court. Dated this twenty-third day of April, A.D. 1907. J. C. WEBSTER.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—TAKE NOTICE that I, THOMAS WILLS NICHOLLS, at present and for the past two years and upwards residing at Woburn, Moruben-road, Mosman, near Sydney, lately serving under Articles of Clerkship to JOHN VARNELL TILLETT, of Sydney, Crown Solicitor, do intend on the last day of the present Term to apply to be admitted as an Attorney, Solicitor, and Proctor of this Honourable Court. Dated this sixteenth day of May, A.D. 1907. T. W. NICHOLLS.

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FUNERALS.

AMBROSE.—The Friends of Mrs. JULIA AMBROSE and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved SON and BROTHER, Patrick John; to leave his mother's residence, Prospect-street, Surry Hills, FRIDAY AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for Waverley Cemetery. P. BYRNES and CO., Undertakers.

ANTTILLA.—The Friends of the late Mr. JOHN ALBERT ANTTILLA are kindly invited to attend his Funeral, which will leave his late residence, No. 504 Wattie-street, Ultimo, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.
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ANTTILLA.—The Friends of Mrs. SARAH ANTTILLA are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND, John Albert, which will leave her residence, No. 504 Wattie-street, Ultimo, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. WOOD and COMPANY, Funeral Directors.

ANTTILLA.—The Friends of Mr. CHARLES ANTTILLA and Miss NELLIE ANTTILLA are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved COUSIN, John Albert Anttilla, which will leave his late residence, No. 504 Wattie-street, Ultimo, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.

ANTTILLA.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ANDREW ANTTILLA are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved NEPHEW, John Albert Anttilla, which will leave his late residence, No. 504 Wattie-street, Ultimo, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery. WOOD and CO.

CAMERON.—The Friends of Mrs. ALICE CAMERON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved HUSBAND, Archibald Cameron; to leave her residence, 450 Bourke-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 1.15 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery.
CHARLES KINSELA, Funeral Director,
Tel., 992. 116 Oxford-street.

CAMERON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. NELSON, of Pearl Bay, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved BROTHER-IN-LAW, Archibald Cameron to leave his late residence, 450 Bourke-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 1.15 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery. Charles Kinsela, 765 Geo.-st.

CAMERON.—The Friends of Mr. ARTHUR NELSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved UNCLE, Archibald Cameron; to leave his late residence, 450 Bourke-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 1.15 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery.
CHARLES KINSELA, Oxford-street, Paddington.

CAMERON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD MURRAY, of Balmain, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved UNCLE, Archibald Cameron; to leave his late residence, 450 Bourke-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY Thursday, at 1.15 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery. Charles Kinsela, King's Cross, Darlinghurst.

CAMERON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE MOORE, of Middle Harbour, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved UNCLE, Archibald Cameron; to leave his late residence, 450 Bourke-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 1.15 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery. CHAS. KINSELA.

CAMERON.—The Friends and Relations of W. MOTHERSTONE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his BROTHER-IN-LAW; to move from his late residence, 450 Bourke-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, Thursday, at 1.15 p.m., for Rookwood.

CAMERON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. PHILLIPS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late BROTHER-IN-LAW, Archibald Cameron; to move from her residence, 450 Bourke-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, at 1.15 p.m.

CAMERON.—The Members of the New South Wales Saddlers and Harness Makers' Union, also other Unions, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of our late comrade, ARCHIE CAMERON; to move from his late residence, 450 Bourke-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, at 1.15 p.m., for Rookwood.
E. ROGAN, President.
E. FARRAR, Sec.

CAMERON.—The Officers and Brethren of the Loyal Love of Liberty Lodge, G.U.O.O.F., are invited to attend the Funeral of Mr. A. CAMERON; to move from 450 Bourke-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, at 1.15, for Rookwood. P. RUMISON, P.G.; P. G. EASTEDNY, Sec.

CAMERON.—The Members of Surry Hills P.L.L. and Friends are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of ARCHIBALD CAMERON, late Secretary. Fall in 1.15 p.m., 450 Bourke-street, Surry Hills.
P. J. MINAHAN, President.

CHIN.—The Funeral of the late Mrs. LUCY A. CHIN will leave her late residence, Penrith Cottage, Church-street, Parramatta, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Necropolis.
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CHIN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. WALTER BRYANT and FAMILY, of Elswick-street, Leichhardt, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved MOTHER and GRANDMOTHER, Mrs. Lucy A. Chin; which will leave her late residence, Penrith Cottage, Church-street, Parramatta, THIS (Thurs.) AFTN.

CHIN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. YATES and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved MOTHER and GRANDMOTHER, Mrs. Lucy A. Chin; which will leave her late residence, Penrith Cottage, Church-street, Parramatta, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for C. E. Cemetery.

CHIN.—The Friends of NURSE JOSEPHINE GRABER, of 201 Bridge-road, Glebe, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved MOTHER, Lucy Ann Chin; which will move from her late residence, Penrith Cottage, Church-street, Parramatta, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 o'clock, for Necrop.

CHIN.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. B. PURSS, of Bridge-road, F. Lodge, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved AUNT, Lucy Ann Chin; to leave her late residence, Church-street North, Parramatta, TO-DAY, THURSDAY, at 1.30 o'clock, for Necropolis.

COYNE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD COYNE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SON, Edward; to move from their residence, 57 Alexander-street, Alexandria, THIS DAY, at 1.15 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery, via Mortuary Station, Redfern.
W. N. BULL, Funeral Director.

DUNN.—The Friends of the late Mr. CHRISTOPHER DUNN are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to leave his late residence, No. 4 Dowling-street, Redfern, THIS THURSDAY, at 2.45, for R.C. Cemetery, Waverley.
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DUNN.—The Friends of JOHN, THOMAS, JOSEPH, and MICHAEL DUNN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved FATHER, Christopher; to leave his late residence, No. 4 Dowling-street, Redfern, THIS THURSDAY, at 2.45, for R.C. Cemetery, Waverley. T. DIXON, Undertaker.

FARMER.—The Funeral of the deceased Mrs. LOUISA FARMER will leave her late residence, Sydenham-road, Marrickville, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis, via Petersham Station.
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FOSTER.—The Funeral of the late Mr. JOHN SCHOFIELD FOSTER, late of Orange and Girilambone, will move from his late residence, Sale-street, Orange, THIS THURSDAY, at 2 p.m., for the Church of England Cemetery, Orange.
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HOOD.—The Friends of Mr. SAMUEL JOHN HOOD are notified that the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Emily A., will move from his residence, Haxton, Clifton-street, Balmain, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for Church of England Cemetery, Field of Mars.
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HYDE.—The Friends of Mrs. MARIA HYDE and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND and their beloved FATHER, Daniel Hyde; to move from their residence, corner of Bourke and Portman streets, Waterloo, THIS AFTERNOON, at ¼ past 1 o'clock, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood. CHAS. KINSELA, Funeral Director, 765 George-street, city, and branches. Tel. 983 Kog.

THE Friends of Mr. DANIEL J. HYDE and WIFE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER, Daniel Hyde; to move from his residence, corner of Portman and Bourke streets, Waterloo, for Necropolis, at 1.15 p.m. TO-DAY.

COURT EDEN, O.R.F.—The Officers and Members of this Court are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of the late BRO. DANIEL HYDE; to move from his late residence, Portman and Bourke streets, Waterloo, THIS (Thursday), at ¼ past 1 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery. E. H. DOYLE, Secretary.

LONGMUIR.—The Funeral of the late Captain ALEXANDER LONGMUIR will leave his late residence, No. 35 Rowley-street, Alexandria, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30 o'clock, for Presbyterian Cemetery, Necropolis.
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PATERSON.—The Friends of Mrs. EDWARD PATERSON, of Union-street, Erskineville, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her late dearly loved HUSBAND; to leave the residence of his parents, 43 Campbell-street, Glebe, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
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PATERSON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE PATERSON, Sen., and FAMILY, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved SON and BROTHER, Edward; to leave their residence, 43 Campbell-street, Glebe, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis. COFFILL and CO.

PATERSON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD PATERSON, Sen., and Mr. and Mrs. JAMES CHAPMAN (late of Menangle), are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved GRANDSON and NEPHEW, Edward Paterson; to leave 43 Campbell-st., Glebe, This Afternoon, at 1.30.

PATERSON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE GUYATT and FAMILY, of Francis-street, Glebe, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved NEPHEW and COUSIN, Edward Paterson; to leave 43 Campbell-street, Glebe, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.

PATERSON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE and Mr. CHARLES PATERSON are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved NEPHEW, Edward Paterson; to leave 43 Campbell-street, Glebe, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis. COFFILL and COMPANY.

PATERSON.—The Friends of Mr. JAMES THOMAS and FAMILY and Mr. and Mrs. JAMES LOONES are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved SON-IN-LAW and BROTHER-IN-LAW, Edward Paterson; to leave 43 Campbell-st., Glebe, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
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PATERSON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. THOMAS, of Hurstville, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved BROTHER-IN-LAW, Edward Paterson; to leave 43 Campbell-street, Glebe, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
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PATERSON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. THOMAS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved BROTHER-IN-LAW, Edward Paterson; to leave his mother's residence, 43 Campbell-street, Glebe, THIS DAY, at 1.30 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery.

THE Friends of Mr. THOMAS PATTERSON, Mrs. J. GOUGH, Mrs. J. HAYES, and Mrs. T. PATTERSON are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved NEPHEW, Edward Patterson, which will leave his parents' residence, 43 Campbell-street, Glebe, TO-DAY, at 1.30, for the Necropolis.

PYE.—The Friends of Mr. CHARLES JAMES PYE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Mary Pye; to move from his residence, Stony Creek-road, Bexley, TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, at ½ to 2 o'clock, for Church of England Cemetery, Sutherland, by 2.10 p.m. train from Sydney. Tel. 983 and 6, Kog. CHAS. KINSELA, Undertaker, 765 Geo.-st., city, and Rockdale, opp. station.

SMITH.—The Friends of Mrs. SMITH are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND and their FATHER, John Godfrey Smith; to move from his late residence, 13 Alfred-street, St. Peters, on FRIDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for Methodist Cemetery, Rookwood, via Newtown Station.
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SMITH.—The Friends of WILLIAM SMITH are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved FATHER, John Godfrey Smith; to move from his late residence, 13 Alfred-street, St. Peters, on FRIDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for Methodist Cemetery, Rookwood, via Newtown Station.
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SMITH.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. TANSLEY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER, John Godfrey Smith; to move from his late residence, 13 Alfred-street, St. Peters, on FRIDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for Methodist Cemetery, Rookwood, via Newtown Station.
GEORGE ANDREWS, Undertaker,
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SMITH.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. OTTO SMITH are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved FATHER, John Godfrey Smith; to move from his late residence, 13 Alfred-street, St. Peters, on FRIDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for Methodist Cemetery, Rookwood, via Newtown Station.
GEORGE ANDREWS, Undertaker,
'Phone, 155 N. 60 Australia-street, Newtown.

LOYAL ST. JOHN'S LODGE, M.U., I.O.O.F.—The Officers and Members of the above Lodge are requested to attend the Funeral of the late BROTHER J. G. SMITH, which will leave his late residence, 13 Alfred-street, St. Peters, TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, at 1.45 p.m., for Methodist Cemetery, Rookwood, via Newtown station. BRO. S. STUBBINS, N.G.; BRO. J. TRAHAIR, Secretary.

SMITH.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ANDREW SMITH are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SON, Allan Cameron; to leave their residence, 45 Silver-street, St. Peters, THIS (Thursday) AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for Presbyterian Cemetery, Rookwood.
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SMITHERS.—The Funeral of the late Mr. JAMES SMITHERS will leave his residence, 30 Railway-street, Petersham, THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock, for Rookwood Cemetery, via Petersham Station.
W. N. BULL, Funeral Director.

SPENCE.—The Friends of Mrs. M'BRIDE and FAMILY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their beloved GRANDSON, James Spence; to move from 75 Gerard-street, Alexandria, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.30, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.

THORNTON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. THOMAS JOSEPH THORNTON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved DAUGHTER, Aileen; to move from their residence, 93 George-street, Erskineville, THIS DAY, at 1.45 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery, via N'town Station. W. N. BULL.

THORNTON.—The Friends of Mr. GEORGE THORNTON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late dearly beloved NIECE, Aileen; to move from her late residence, 93 George-street, Erskineville, THIS DAY, at 1.45 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery, via Newtown Station. W. N. BULL, Funeral Director.

THORNTON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD HANNON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved NIECE, Aileen Thornton; to move from her late residence, 93 George-street, Erskineville, THIS DAY, at 1.45 p.m., for Rookwood Cemetery. W. N. BULL, Funeral Director.

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